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EXCLUSIONISTS HOLD NO PARADE

Decision Reached at a Somewhat Lively Meeting Held Last Night

PROCEEDINGS DISORDERLY

Many Charges of Falsehood and Threats of Fistic Encounters

Vancouver, Feb. 26.--The Asiatic Exclusion League, of Vancouver, talked for three hours tonight on the advisability of holding another parade. Then the meeting broke up in a small riot.

It was the hottest anti-Japanese gathering since last September. The lie was passed so frequently that the word lost its distinctive significance. Fist fights were threatened every few minutes, and the lights were finally turned out to avoid prolonging the agony.

Vice-President Gordon Grant charged that a plot had been hatched to pull off riots in all the cities on the coast.

Sam Gothard, the Vancouver delegate to the recent Seattle convention, declared that the man who furnished this information was a liar.

Finally by a narrow majority the quieter heads prevailed, and the proposal to hold another parade with riot possibilities was condemned.

A dozen men hurled their white badges of membership at the president, and left the hall in disgust. Then a resolution was introduced to dissolve affiliation with the North American League, recently formed at Seattle. On this question the meeting hit the rocks and the lights went out.

DEFYING THE LAW

Doukhobors Want to Be Free to Commit Assault When It So Pleases Them

Buchanan, Sask., Feb. 26.—The Doukhobors are still experiencing some lively times. Ever since the ranks of the faithful were badly broken up last spring by hundreds leaving the communities, there has been bad blood existing between the communists and independents, which has resulted in several assault cases. Last week Lieut. Hoyene, of the Mounted Police went out to one of the villages to summon some of the men to answer before a justice of the peace. On his arrival he was told to get out of the village, as they would not recognize the legal papers. In company with three other officers he went out the second time to make arrests. They were met by the whole community, men and women numbering about a hundred or more. The women were placed in front, and a hard struggle ensued. The officers were helpless, and returned to town and wired their report to the government asking for further instructions. In the meantime friends of the obstreperous Doukhobors induced them to come to town and make their appearance at the trial at Canora.

Wm. Mackenzie in Control.

Toronto, Feb 26.—The shareholders of the Electric Development company today ratified the agreement with William Mackenzie, president of the Canadian Northern railway, for taking over the stock of the company. Mr. Mackenzie pays $3,000,000 for it.

Flood From Broken Main.

Montreal, Feb. 26.—A big break occurred this morning in a sixteen-inch city water main on Rachel street, at the corner of Garnier street, opposite Lafontaine Park, resulting in the serious flooding of properties in the vicinity and reducing the level of the high reservoir to a considerable extent.

Temperance Men's Demands.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—A large deputation from the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance today asked Premier Whitney for the repeal of the three-fifths clause and the banishment of bars from the province. Mr. Whitney expressed sympathy with the temperance cause, but made no definite statement as to the repeal of the clause. He said an announcement of his policy would be made later.

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INSURANCE BILL

Views of Policyholders' Champion — Senator Cox at Canada Life Meeting

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—J. J. Harpell, on behalf of the policyholders' association, continued the discussion of the government insurance bill before the Commons Banking and Commerce committee today. He charged the insurance companies with indulging in "writing up" securities for the purpose of making a better showing with the insurance department. In one case Chicago and Milwaukee electric stock was not valued in 1905, but was written up in 1906 to $20,000, and the case of B. C. Tel. stock not written up in 1905 but written up in 1906 to $15,500.

Wm. Harty, M. P., protested that unless Mr. Harpell was able to show that the companies were writing up stocks beyond the market value he was wasting the time of the committee. Mr. Harpell said the main point was that insurance companies should not be allowed to invest in fluctuating stocks. Mr. Harpell admitted that the confiscation clauses in insurance operated with great hardship toward a very poor class of the country's population.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—At the annual meeting of the Canada Life Assurance company today, Senator Cox, the president, referring to the insurance legislation pending at Ottawa, said he had confidence that the government will bring in a bill which will conserve the interests of the insuring public, although several of its features as it now stands are not in the interests of policyholders, whom the bill seeks to protect, and whose interests it seeks to conserve. The sixty-first annual report of the company shows an increase for 1907 of $4,923,798, making the total insurance in force over $117,500,000.

AGITATION AMONG NATIVES OF INDIA

Alarmist Report Brought By Officers of German Steamer to Boston

Boston, Mass., Feb. 26.—The officers of the German steamship Neuenfels, which arrived here today from India and Ceylon, report a serious condition of affairs throughout India. The natives, they assert, are openly defying the British. They have boycotted the British goods and have refused to handle cargoes shipped by British merchants. In the interior they are on the verge of open revolt, and in many places they are arming and preparing to combat British rule.

Agitators are largely responsible for the present conditions. They are inciting the natives to acts of violence. They believe the Japanese will aid them if they should engage in war with England, and they declare they will be victorious.

In the larger cities the feeling against the British and foreigners in general has taken the form of a boycott. Commerce is greatly hampered. The Neuenfels was delayed 64 days at Calcutta waiting for her cargo. The natives refused to work on the freighter, and it was weeks before a gang of longshoremen could be got together who would load the ship. Calcutta harbor, at that time, was filled with British steamers unable to get cargoes.

Rubber Profits

Montreal, Feb. 26.—The net profits of the Canadian Rubber company last year were $596,982.

For Mediterranean Trip

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—Wm. Whyte, second vice-president of the Canadian Pacific railway, accompanied by Mrs. Whyte, Sir Daniel and Lady McMillan, leave next week for a two months' trip on the Mediterranean.

Reclamation Possibilities

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—Mr. McInnes, of the Geological survey, told the Commons agricultural committee today that by lowering the channel of the Saskatchewan river in the Cedar Lake region, west of Lake Winnipeg, three million acres which are now marsh lands, could be converted into good lands.

Standard Oil Loses Appeal

Austin, Tex., Feb. 26.—The supreme court of Texas today sustained the judgment of the lower trial court wherein they rendered a judgment for $1,600 damages, and ouster from the state, against the Waters-Pierce Oil company for violating the Texas anti-trust laws. The case will be appealed at once to the United States supreme court.

A Pittsburg Fire

Pittsburg, Feb 26.—An eight story building at 38 Isabella street, on the north side of former Allegheny, occupied by the Boyd & Boyd Trunk Company, was destroyed by fire, which started from an unknown cause on the fourth floor last night. The adjoining buildings were demolished when the side walls of the building fell. The loss of the Boyd & Boyd Trunk Company and the dwellings is estimated at $200,000.

First National Bank

New York, Feb. 26.—Geo. A. Baker, president of the First National bank, has sent a circular letter to all the bank's stockholders, asking them to assent to the formation of $10,000,000 holding company to take over and administer the real estate securities, stock and other property of the bank. On receiving the assent of the stockholders the bank proposes to declare an extra dividend of 1 per cent. on its $10,000,000 capital stock, which dividend is to be applied to the payment of the capital stock of the holding company. The name of the new company is to be the First Security Company. The First National bank, according to a recent statement, has $55,225,000 of stocks, bonds and mortgages.

INTERESTS OF MUNICIPALITIES

Annual Convention of B. C. Union Now in Session at Nanaimo

MUCH BUSINESS IN HAND

Municipal Questions Reviewed by President in His Annual Report

Nanaimo, Feb. 26.—The third annual meeting of the British Columbia Union of Municipalities convened this morning, with Mayor Keary, of New Westminster, in the chair. The council chamber had been nicely decorated for the occasion.

The honorary secretary-treasurer, Reeve Bose, of Surrey Centre, had a mass of reports of the executive, who have held several meetings lately, communications and other business to lay before the convention. Judging by the pile of work the painstaking secretary has on hand, it will give the convention all they can do to dispose of the business by Friday.

The officers of the union are: President, W. H. Keary, mayor of New Westminster; vice-president, G. Bell, mayor of Enderby; honorary secretary-treasurer, Mr. Bose, reeve of Surrey; executive committee, A. E. Planta, mayor of Nanaimo; W. G. Gillett, ex-mayor of Nelson; J. T. Robinson, mayor of Kamloops; P. Byrne, of Burnaby.

After President Keary had called the meeting to order, the following credential committee was appointed: Ald. Calland, Vancouver; Mayor Planta, Nanaimo; Mayor Bell, Enderby. The report of the committee was adopted. The minutes of the last annual meet- were adopted.

Mayor Planta, on behalf of the city, extended a cordial welcome to the city, saying that the city fully appreciated the compliment paid to it by the convention being held here.

Mayor Kealy, of North Vancouver, replied to the address of welcome in a very pleasant manner, making special mention of the natural beauties of the city. Touching on the work of the union, he was struck with the good work it could do, not only for individual municipalities but for the province at large. He regretted that more places were not represented at the meeting. In closing he suggested that the union select North Vancouver as the next place of convention.

President Keary, of New Westminster, delivered the annual report as follows:

Gentlemen: As president of the union I beg to submit the second report since organization. It affords me great pleasure in the first place to again meet in convention with the representatives of the majority of municipalities in the province. I sincerely trust our deliberations will be characterized by harmony and good feeling. Mayor Planta has in well chosen words welcomed you to what has for almost half a century been known as the "Coal City" of British Columbia. On behalf of the union I beg to include in this report our grateful appreciation of and thanks for the mayor's kindly words of greeting. At our last convention the executive of the union received authority to name the date of our next meeting. The executive, after careful consideration, owing to the fact that we were not successful in obtaining the government's sanction to the re-enacting of the Municipal Clauses' act on the score of expense, decided to call the meeting while the house should be in session, in the event of the convention deciding to ask legislation for the betterment of our different municipalities before parliament adjourns, and with this end in view I wired the honorary attorney-general as follows: "New Westminster, Feb. 11, 1908. To Hon. W. J. Bowser: Have been requested by executive of Union of Municipalities to respectfully ask you to postpone legislation as to amendments to the Municipal Clauses' act until the 28th. Convention of union meets in Nanaimo the 26th of this month, at which 37 municipalities will be represented. (Signed) W. H. Keary, president of the union; H. Bose, secretary."

"The minutes of the meetings of the executive held since our last convention should be read, and will explain what has been done towards following out the instructions given at the annual meeting held in Kamloops. As a result of the work of the executive the following amendments to the Municipal Clauses act embodied in the bill of 1908 are now being introduced by Attorney-General Bowser: The clause in section 2 of chapter 32 of the statutes is amended by defining wild lands so that improvements can cover only 320 acres adjoining the improvements, instead of 640 acres. Road tax, making the age at which persons are liable for road tax or statute labor 18 to 60 years, instead of 21 to 50 years. In district municipalities powers conferred upon the assessors thereof may be exercised by the clerk instead of the assessor of a municipality when a resolution to that effect is regularly passed by the council of the municipality. Section 166 is amended by striking out all the words in said section after the word 'municipality' in fourth line thereof. Licenses to retail traders raised from $5 to $20 every six months, to enable district municipalities to construct water, sewerage, electric light or gas works within any prescribed area in the municipality. A number of minor changes are introduced as well as consolidated municipal elections act. The committee appointed to draft a bill along the lines of the Ontario Ditches and Watercourses act performed their duty.

"I submit for your consideration the advisability of the federation of the provincial union with the parent body, the Union of Canadian Municipalities.

"In pursuance of notices issued to municipalities west of the Cascades by the finance committee of the city of Vancouver, a meeting was held in the mayor's office on December 24, 1906. Vancouver, New Westminster, Ladner, Langley and Richmond municipalities were represented when the following resolution was passed: 'That whereas a considerable number of aged and infirm persons are living through the various municipalities, in the coast cities and district municipalities; and whereas no adequate method of maintaining such persons has been devised; and whereas a home for such persons under the control of one management is a means to this end which seems most feasible and desirable; and whereas the proper maintenance of such persons cannot be arranged by individual municipalities except at undue expense; it is hereby resolved that the provincial government be petitioned and requested to place a sufficient sum in the estimates for the establishment of such a home."

OLD AGE PENSIONS

Nova Scotia Commission Reports Against General Pension Scheme Because of Cost

Halifax, Feb. 26.—The report of the commission appointed last year to investigate the question of old age pensions in Nova Scotia declares against a general pension scheme because of its cost. It recommends that the pension scheme be confined to coal miners, who already have their relief societies. It also recommends the formation of a provincial relief society with all relief societies in the province as branches, under the same constitution and bylaws, the establishment of an old age pension and disability fund entirely separate from the relief society funds, the creation of emergency or disaster funds, and the establishment of a pension board to administer the various funds.

BRITAIN'S INTEREST IN THE CONGO STATE

House of Commons Adopts Resolution in Favor of a Transfer

London, Feb. 26.—The House of Commons after a short debate adopted a resolution asking the government to do all in its power to secure the transfer of the control of the Congo Independent State, and failing such transfer within a reasonable time, assuring the government of parliament's hearty support of any measures that it might be necessary for the British government to take, either alone or in conjunction with the powers that signed the Berlin Act to ensure the effective carrying out of its provisions.

Speeches made on both sides of the house severely arraigned the existing administration of the Congo Independent State, and urged the government to take steps to leave the Belgian government in no doubt in regard to the settled determination of the people to assert Great Britain's treaty rights.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in a speech sympathising with the terms of the resolution, repudiated any attempt on behalf of the government to establish political or territorial terms or doing anything directly against the Belgian people. No transfer, he said, would be satisfactory unless it gave the Belgian government a free hand. It would be impossible for Great Britain to take the initiative while the discussion on the Congo question was pending between King Leopold and his people. "But," he added, "this government will always welcome the co-operation of the other powers, and if, at the close of the Belgian parliamentary session we have to deal with the existing government of Congo unchanged, we must be free to deal with the questions arising out of our own treaty right in our own way.

OFFER TO WINNIPEG

Loan Proposal Made by Coates & Son of London Kept Secret by Mayor Ashdown

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—An offer made by Coates and Son, the big financial brokers of London, England, to relieve the city's financial difficulties, and so far not made public by Mayor Ashdown, is likely to form the subject of a hot discussion at an early meeting of the city council. The letter containing the offer was addressed to Mayor Ashdown shortly after his return from his trip to England, and bears the date of November 20, 1907. The offer was no less than a proposal to float $5,000,000 of treasury notes, of which amount Coates and Son were willing to take on their own account $2,500,000 at 5 1-2 per cent.

Lord's Day Act Prosecution.

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—That the prosecution of the violators of the Lord's Day act reported on Sunday, February 2, has been a failure to a great extent was shown in the police court this morning, when another large batch of cases was withdrawn. The docket this morning contained sixty-six names, sixty-one of which were withdrawn, and four remanded.

Manitoba Prorogation.

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—Promptly at 3:30 this afternoon Sir Daniel McMillan, accompanied by a mounted escort and guard of honor, proceeded to the legislative building, and there, in the speaker's chair, gave his assent to 79 bills which had been passed at the present session, after which he declared the house prorogued until it be again called for the transaction of business.

Disastrous Explosion.

Johnstown, Pa., Feb. 26.—With a concussion that shook houses and buildings within a radius of several blocks, broke windows and inflicted other damage to property, an explosion last night in the iron converter builder of the Cambria Steel company, seriously injured four men and practically wrecked the large building. In one of the mixing pans there was a thin layer of ice, and when this came into contact with the metal, the explosion resulted.

VAIN PLEA FOR CHEAP ALCOHOL

Minister Templeman Unwilling to Accept Mr. Bole's Proposal

VOLUME OF IMMIGRATION

Warm Debate Expected on Objection to Mr. Leech's Appointment

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—This was private members' day, and was devoted to clearing the order paper of a number of questions, most of which were of purely local interest. Outside of these the principal topic was a resolution introduced by Mr. Bole, of Winnipeg, asking for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the report upon a method by which alcohol can be more generally used in scientific and industrial operations without increasing the danger of its use as a potable spirit. Mr. Bole's plea for denatured alcohol was supported by Mr. Miller, of South Grey, Mr. Monk and Dr. Sproule, but Mr. Templeman, minister of inland revenue, was not prepared to go as far as Mr. Bole desired. In his opinion what was demanded would have too serious an effect on the revenue of the Dominion, a view which Mr. Bole did not think was justified, as he thought the advantage to the people would more than compensate the loss to the revenue. Mr. Templeman was not to be shaken, and the most that he would do for Mr. Bole was to promise that the government would conduct an inquiry and report upon the matter.

Mr. Monk was informed by Mr. Oliver that during the three months ended June 30 last, 105,517 immigrants entered Canada via ocean ports, and 21,859 from the United States. During the same period 211 were refused at ocean ports, and 164 deported. Three were refused from the United States and one deported.

Mr. Fielding announced that tomorrow the Quebec battlefields grant would be taken up, and the house would also go into supply. It is likely that before this is done Dr. Roche will bring up the question of the appointment of R. E. Leech to supervise the distribution of seed grain in the Northwest. On this there is expected to be a hot debate.

Senator McMullen in the senate last night moved a resolution to the effect that public ownership and operation of public utilities would not be in the interests of the Dominion.

Senator Cloran will ask the government what measures are being taken to prevent the influx of Italians, who are enemies of life, law and order.

Senator Baird will move that when the senate adjourns on Friday it stand adjourned until March 5. This is done because the senate does not sit on Mondays, and next Wednesday neither house will sit, that being Ash Wednesday.

MEETING OF VETERANS

Appoint Committee to Gather Information Regarding Organizing in This City

About one hundred and twenty-five South African veterans, now living in Victoria and district, met in the Y. M. C. A. rooms last evening to consider and discuss the feasibility of organizing into an established body to commemorate their achievements and experiences and the sacrifice of those left behind.

A. J. Brace, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who was a trooper in the Canadian Mounted Rifles, called the meeting to order, and Trooper Winkel of Strathcona Horse acted as secretary pro tem. A lengthy discussion took place as to whether the organization should include the Imperial service or the Canadian service and the meeting decided to appoint a committee of seven to gather information regarding organization and report to a meeting to be held Thursday, March 26.

It was agreed to assemble at the Y. M. C. A. at 12:30 sharp today and to parade to the Empress hotel to take part in the Canadian club luncheon in commemoration of the eighth anniversary of Paardeberg, when Cronje's forces surrendered to the British. It is expected that there will be 150 men in uniform.

Murderous Foreigners.

Quebec, Feb. 26.—The provincial authorities have decided to take energetic measures to check the frequency of murders among foreigners in Montreal.

Search for Stilettos

Montreal, Feb. 26.—Acting on instructions from the attorney-general, Provincial Chief Detective McCaskill today commenced a round-up of all Italians suspected of carrying concealed weapons.

Fire in Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, Ont., Feb. 26.—The Commee block and adjoining stores on Water street were destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $20,000.

Would Build Grain Elevators.

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—J. Fisher, representing the British Consolidated Mills, London, England, returned home yesterday after a visit to Manitoba and the west. He favors the proposal to build sixty grain elevators in the Canadian west this summer.

Mystery of Baby John.

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 26.—"Baby John" Martin, whose confession has implicated his mother, Mrs. Isabella Martin, in the alleged dynamiting the home of Judge Ogden in Oakland, and in arson at Weaverville, where she is confined in jail, was brought to Oakland today and placed in charge of the matron at the city prison. The police hope to prove that Baby John is not a son of either Mrs. Martin or of the Princess De Chimay, (formerly Clara Ward of Detroit), and they will try to discover the true parentage of the child.

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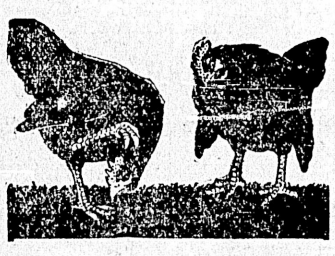

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HOUSE PROCEEDS WITH ESTIMATES

Many Votes Passed in Committee on Supply—Few Exceptions Taken

LIBERALS BLOCK BUSINESS

Attorney-General Announced Much Constitutional Litigation

The provincial legislature occupied the greater part of yesterday afternoon and all evening with the consideration of the estimates in committee on supply.

In all some 150 votes were passed and when the house adjourned at 12:30 a. m. this morning much more progress would have been recorded had it not been for the action of the Liberal opposition.

It all arose over the attempt of the member for Greenwood to tell his troubles arising out of a bridge constructed across the Kettle river. He maintained that the bridge should have been built in the district of Greenwood, whereas it fell within the confines of Similkameen.

Mr. Naden's attempt to enlighten the house upon the iniquity of this matter came up in connection with the vote for Greenwood. A. E. McPhillips promptly took a point of order that the member was not speaking to the question and was confirmed in his exception by the chairman, Price Ellison.

This brought to the aid of the member for Greenwood John Oliver. The member for Delta proved to his own satisfaction that the matter could be probed at the present juncture. Price Ellison stuck to his ruling and then the process of killing time began.

Finally the member for Greenwood appealed to the speaker. After more argument the latter confirmed the ruling of the chairman.

One hour and twenty minutes were consumed in this manner and the interesting information was elicited from J. H. Hawthornthwaite that on the 140 votes passed, the member for Delta had spoken 218 times. Mr. Oliver retorted that he was not half tired yet.

Prior to the passing of the budget, Stuart Henderson in the afternoon delivered a lengthy address. He advocated a different investment of the funds to the credit of the sinking fund and made a number of other suggestions. His speech bristled with figures. Parker Williams was heard also with regard to the particular needs of Newcastle district.

The increase to ministers and premier were passed with scarcely a question. Not a word with regard to the increased sessional indemnities for members was uttered and the objections taken to other votes were of a trivial nature.

The real battleground was reached when the votes to roads, streets, bridges and wharves were reached. And it was when half through this that the house adjourned.

Incidentally some interesting information was elicited. Hon. W. J. Bowser informed the house that an appeal to the privy council would be taken in the divorce and fishery questions, the E. & N. water rights case, the question as to whether copper was a precious or base metal and in various other matters.

By agreement with the Dominion the question of the province's rights to the reversionary interest in Indian reserves will also be decided by the judicial committee of that body.

The speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers by Rev. Robert Connell.

Mr. Henderson on Budget.

On the resumption of the budget debate, Stuart Henderson (Yale) complained very strongly of what he regarded as gross favoritism shown by the government in the expenditure of public money in ridings represented by their supporters as compared with ridings which are represented by members of the opposition. For instance, Yale and Ashcroft were allotted in the estimates only $16,711, although the treasury received from this source no less than $79,526, or about five times as much as was to be expended in the district, while Okanagan, which contributed $61,784 to the exchequer, was to receive $65,000. In other words, Yale got less than one-eleventh of what it paid in, while Okanagan obtained some $3200 more than it contributed. Again, Similkameen paid into the treasury $65,680 and received $34,700, while Kamloops contributed $75,244 and received $94,186. This showed very conclusively in what manner the present government treated the constituencies in accordance with the political complexion of their representatives in the house.

The finance minister laid claim to a great deal of credit for the reduction of the liabilities of the province, but it had been enabled to do so owing to the large sums which came from the three ridings of Yale, Cariboo and Lillooet, for it would be found on examination that these three ridings contributed $712,000 more than they had received in any shape from this government since it came into power, and as a matter of fact Yale, Lillooet and Cariboo had paid off $672,000 of the public debt of the province. The attention which was paid to trails and roads in the Yale district was altogether insufficient. The trunk road which had been formerly in use had in part been destroyed by the C. P. R., while the balance of the road had been allowed to fall into disrepair. He was unable to understand on ordinary grounds why to the two adjoining ridings of Yale and Kamloops should be meted out such very different treatment.

Hon. Mr. Eberts: I wish to call the attention of the hon. gentleman to the fact that according to the rules of our practice allusion should not be made to ridings in the discussion of the estimates.

Mr. Henderson: As I have finished with that part of my stuff, we may let it go at that. (Some laughter.)

Discusses Railways.

The honorable gentleman then turned his attention to the Shushwap & Okanagan railway, which, he observed, was undertaken in 1890, before the present government attained power, and charged the finance minister with having paid $1,601 and $9,730, which had been paid on the part of the province on account of this railway, but which could not now be recovered. By reason of the act in question, this enterprise would yet cost the province $750,000. As matters stood when this railway came into the market the C. P. R. company must be the only bidder, and on the shoulders of the government must be placed the responsibility for the lack of development of the lower portion of that section of the Okanagan country.

Having discussed the affairs of the B. C. Southern and Columbia & Western railways in connection with their land grants, he held that if advantage was taken of the law over $700,000 could be recovered in the way of taxation from the C. P. R. company.

This was only a fair and reasonable estimate in the circumstances. That company was absolutely liable for this amount under the statute, and it was only owing to the laxity and supineness of the government that had prevented the revenue being increased by that amount.

Would Keep Money Here.

The inscribed stock of the province now almost reached the figure of ten million dollars, which was to be extinguished through the payment of 4 per cent. annually—3 per cent. for interest and 1 per cent. for sinking fund. At the end of the fiscal year of 1907 $972,034 had been paid on this account, and at the end of this fiscal year this payment would amount to $1,300,000. And in the circumstances his suggestion was this: that in lieu of sending this 4 per cent to the old country every year to keep the $400,000 in question here and invest it in this province. Four per cent. was not a high rate of interest in this province, and if that sum was invested here at that figure the sum of $2,901,000 would be realized in five years—a much larger amount than would be realized if the practice of sending this money over to the old country were continued. In fact, the province would be advantaged to the extent of $900,000 by this change in the manner of doing this business, and if the funds in question could be invested here at 5 per cent. the eventual saving to the province would amount to six millions. In addition, brokerage and commissions would be unnecessary. He pointed out that $1 at compound interest would at 4 per cent reach at the end of 32 years the sum of $68.85; $76.03 at 4½ per cent., and $84.51 at 5 per cent. He trusted that the honorable the finance minister would take into consideration his plan for saving the sum of six millions to the province.

Parker Williams Complains

Parker Williams (Newcastle) stated that he knew the problems with which his constituents had to contend better than did the government agent at Nanaimo.

Previous to 1903 the vote for Newcastle generally amounted to between $15,000 and $20,000. In 1903 there was an election coming on and the vote was $9,000. Immediately following the election the money for road work was called in and the expenditure for the year was but a small proportion of the vote. This in itself was a breach of confidence. In some of the other constituencies, Dewdney notably, over twice the amount authorized was expended.

The government was not above spending the public monies for private purposes. Of late years, Newcastle has been getting about $5,000 per annum for the roads. This was grossly insufficient. The weather in the district was wet. There was no snow and the roads were badly cut up during the rainy season and they had continued to go from bad to worse. Last year there had been appointed a road superintendent and of the total $5,000 allowed some $1,200 was devoted to his salary. He was a man who knew nothing about road making or "bossing" men. The road gang was placed in much the same position as a certain militia regiment in Toronto where there were 21 officers and 7 men.

The foreman knew more about politics than roads. He contrasted this with the case in Richmond. There the government had brought in a man from Montreal, a landscape gardener to direct the work. What was the reason for the discrimination?

The staff of the road gang were more intent upon getting completed a good automobile road for the summer months than in fixing it against the rainy season. Cobble stones were dug out and the holes filled in with shale. These became mud holes when the rain fell.

Mr. Williams dilated at some length upon the troubles of Mr. Pearson, a grocer of Ladysmith, whose wagon became stuck in one of the sloughs on the highway. He eulogized the action of two ladies, Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Heney, who had taken it upon themselves to repair a section of the road and had corduroyed one bog hole with fence rails. He asked if the chief commissioner intended paying them for their labor.

The government agent at Nanaimo had recommended a vote of $8,500 for the road. He himself thought that $10,000 would be barely sufficient. The government had cut the figure down to $7,000.

The member for Newcastle stated that there were members of the Conservative party, supporters of the government in the house who gave their assent to measures of which they did not really approve and salved their conscience with obtaining larger votes for expenditures in their constituencies. This was graft, the utilization of public funds for private ends. There was room for one or two real men in the Conservative ranks.

Says There's Privation

Every man brought out by the Salvation Army meant a native of the province out of a job. Mr. Williams continued. He could not follow the finance minister's argument in this connection.

The member for Cowichan (Mr. Hayward) had in his whimsical manner some twelve months ago asked him if he really thought there was no shortage of labor in the province. He would now inform him that there were families in his constituency who were compelled to subsist upon one meal a day.

Mr. Hayward: I would be glad if the hon. member would at the adjournment of the house give me the names of these families. We may be able to do something for them.

Mr. Williams stated that he would be glad to do this but it showed a fine state of affairs when the representative of a constituency did not know what was going on within it.

Little saving had been effected by the removal of the government agent from Ladysmith and a hardship had been worked the residents of the district. They were compelled to expend several thousands of dollars yearly in going to Nanaimo to transact business. He did not know what had caused the government to do this.

If an opposition really existed in this province in view of the 250 items in the estimates which were to be considered prorogation would not be reached until August, but the fact was that the Liberal party in the house under its very peculiar triangular leadership was more intent upon putting up the sort of cake-walk which was required by the Ottawa government for the coming elections than of doing its duty in the house. (Laughter.)

Budget Adopted.

At the conclusion of Parker William's remarks, the budget was formally adopted.

Committee of Supply.

The house went into committee on supply with Price Ellison (Okanagan) in the chair.

The first item questioned was the allowance for the premier's office. It was explained that the vote provided for a yearly increase of $1000 to the premier and $20 a month to the premier's secretary.

Stuart Henderson (Yale) drew the attention of the premier to the question of mining licenses. He thought it would be well for the government to consider some method by which mining licenses good for life or for a term of years be given.

Hon. Richard McBride: The proposition is a novel one and one which had never been considered. I question whether it would be an improvement to the mining laws of the province, which have been commended by many of the highest authorities of the United States as the best in America.

In connection with the vote for the lands department, Hon. R. G. Tatlow stated that the separation of the two departments had involved the appointment of three additional clerks for the lands department.

The increase in the salary of the deputy attorney general was the subject of a question on the part of J. H. Hawthornthwaite. The increase, $50 a month, was a very substantial one.

John Oliver also asked if it was the intention of the attorney general to devote his full time to the department in view of the increased salary which had been voted.

Much Litigation

Hon. Mr. Bowser replied that when he assumed office he had no intention of entirely relinquishing his ordinary practice, and he did not think that any member of the house would so expect him to do. He believed that the deputy attorney-general's services were worth the increase. There was a greatly increased amount of litigation entailing additional work upon the deputy and the department generally. Constitutional questions of great importance to the province would have to be taken to the privy council.

All knew how very carefully the hon. the finance minister looked after the taxes, and consequently it was not at all surprising that among the very first business which was placed before him when he became a member of the government were the cases of taxation effecting the B. C. Southern, the Columbian & Western and the Wellington Collieries. But these matters did not require to be tested in the courts. The very moment when the conclusion was reached that they or any of them were taxable, these corporations would at once be placed on the assessment roll in the ordinary way, and it would be for them to say whether or not they would appeal to the courts against this decision. The result would depend to a great extent whether in that event the cases were taken to the privy council. Quite a number of constitutional cases were under consideration, and if they succeeded in winning, either all or the majority of these suits, the results to the province would be very valuable. (Hear, hear.) These constitutional cases must be taken to the court of last resort, the privy council. There was, for instance, the case of the water rights, whether the question at issue was, whether these rights belonged to the province or the E. & N. Railway Company.

Then there was the case of the E. & N. railway and the province as to whether copper is a base or precious metal. The province contends it is an ingredient in precious metals, and therefore belongs to the crown.

As a matter of fact, more constitutional cases arose in this province and were carried to the privy council than was the case in any other province. A special session of the court of appeals would be held in June next, when the case of Norton vs. Fulton would come up as well as the most important question of the jurisdiction of our courts in divorce proceedings.

Then there were the Crow's Nest pass, the C. P. R. and the E. & N. railway questions always coming up, all matters which required a great deal of time and consideration.

Outside of this work, attendance at the courts of assizes had to be considered. Either he or his deputy would attend the assizes, and if time would allow they wished to do all the assize work between them. He had great confidence in his deputy, and taking all these facts into proper consideration he thought that the sum of $3,600 a year was by no means too large for the services in view. (Hear, hear.)

E. & N. Water Rights.

Mr. Macdonald stated taht in the case at issue with the E. & N. Railway company with regard to water rights he supposed that the riparian rights were to be considered. The Water Clauses act would govern here, and hence it was no matter for the privy council.

Hon. Mr. Bowser replied that as far as the E. & N. Railway company's case was concerned, the honorable member for Rossland was not quite right. The department had always taken the ground that the water rights belonged to the province, and Sir. Thos. Shanghnessy, president of the C. P. R. company, which owned all this property, was pressing for an early settlement of this matter. He had suggested that the matter be taken to the privy council. He wanted the province to have some one take up water rights upon the streams in question. The railway would eject him and the province could defend his case and take it to the privy council. In this manner a final decision could be reached.

Mr. Macdonald: It is only a question of costs.

Hon. Mr. Bowser: It is also a question of constitutional practice.

With the Dominion

In addition there was the question of the water rights in the Dominion railway belt, and there would be further litigation necessary with a consequent appeal to the privy council to settle the very important matter of the jurisdiction of the province with regard to the fisheries.

It had also been decided by agreement between the province and Dominion to submit a test case with regard to the province's reversionary rights in Indian reserves to the privy council for decision.

It had been necessary to grant the increase to the deputy attorney-general in order that he might come equitably under the Civil Service Act.

Mr. Oliver asked if the deputy attorney-general would fight these cases before the privy council.

Hon. Mr. Bowser replied that Sir Robert Findlay, of London, was retained by the province, but that it was eminently necessary that the preliminary preparation of the cases should be thorough.

Land Grant Taxation

Mr. Oliver asked if the attorney-general was going to take the question of the taxation of the Columbia & Western land grant to the privy council or the question of the taxation of the property of the Wellington Colliery Company.

Hon. Mr. Bowser stated that the matter had been under consideration, and he had been advising the finance minister upon the matter.

Mr. Oliver: Am I to understand that no conclusion has been arrived at?

Hon. Mr. Bowser: The hon. gentleman entirely misunderstands me. In one case a tentative decision has been reached, and a general or final decision in the other, is still under the consideration of the department. We have not as yet advised the placing of any of these corporations on the assessment roll. The case of the B. C. Southern was now under consideration.

The question whether the land was subject to taxation could not be settled until it was placed bfore the full court of appeal. The argument would take place in Vancouver next month.

Vote No. 15, providing salaries for the timber inspector, was allowed to stand over, at the suggestion of Mr. Oliver, to enable the chief commissioner to obtain some additional information with regard to an alleged discrepancy in the report of the inspectors.

Mr. Oliver pleaded for a larger increase for the young lady in the office of the provincial librarian. He was informed that this was provided for under the Civil Service act which would be enacted this session.

Quesnel Forks.

Under the head of civil government salaries, administrative staff, Cariboo agencies, Barkerville district, in answer to Mr. Yorston, Cariboo, who called attenion to the requirements at Quesnel Forks.

Hon. Mr. McBride: For some years there has been a regular agency at this place, but as of late years the business transacted has fallen off very considerably, on reviewing the whole situation the government has concluded to establish a regular agency at 150-Mile House, but it is also our intention to have an office at Quesnel Forks where all business in connection with mines can be carried on by the people who live in that part of the country. I may say that this matter was very forcibly brought to my attention by the senior and junior members for Cariboo some weeks ago when I assured them it was the intention of the government to retain an office at Quesnel Forks where licenses, etc., can be issued, so that as far as the general public is concerned, no harm will be done. (Hear, hear.) And as regards the placing of another agency in the interior, the department will locate an agency at the point in that section of the country where the interests of the public will be best served. (Applause.) Hon. gentleman will, I think, agree with me that while things are in such a tentative condition as they are in today and while that part of the country is in its present stage of development, to set up an office at any particular point in such a manner that the public might

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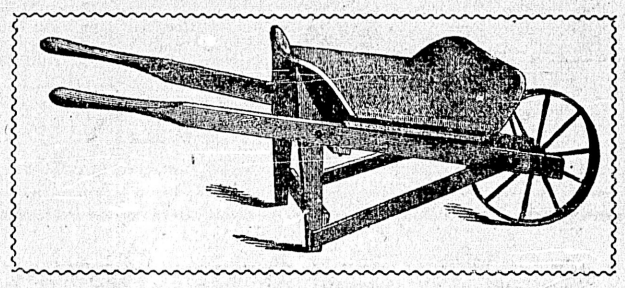

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J. H. LAWSON, Secretary.
Victoria, B. C., 21st February, 1908.

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Dated this 30th day of January, 1908.

A. BLOCKLEY.

Lord Londonderry, speaking at the annual meeting of the Royal Ulster Agricultural Society, referred to the falling off, as compared with former years, of the Irish egg trade. He commended the work of the Irish Agricultural Organization Society, which, he said, had established 919 co-operative societies and had 90,000 members. There were still 400,000 unorganized farmers to whom co-operation was necessary if they were to survive the keen competition of other countries.

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Tuesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Leiser, Pandora avenue, a pretty wedding was solemnized, the contracting parties being Miss Florence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leiser, and Sol Oppenheimer, the well known commission merchant of Vancouver. The ceremony was conducted by Rabbi Freidman, of Vancouver, who came over to Victoria for the event. After the ceremony a dainty wedding breakfast was served, and in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Oppenheimer left on a tour of the Sound cities. On their return they will take up their residence in Vancouver.

ga Islands has just been disbanded, it having been decided that an army is of no further use in the kingdom. It should perhaps be mentioned that the army consisted of six officers and thirty men.

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MANY CHANGES IN CIVIL SERVICE ACT

Provisions With Regard to Superannuation Are Radically Changed

The Civil Service act will be changed in committee substantially. Hon. Dr. Young has given notice of his intention to move that practically all the clauses of the original bill, after clause 1 be struck out and new clauses similar to a great extent substituted.

The changes in the arrangements for superannuation are the more important.

Provision is made to enable civil servants to benefit by supplemental saving and annuities to be voluntarily subscribed. Loans to civil servants upon mortgage from the fund are also allowed.

The chief clauses to be substituted follow:

Superannuation Fund

25. A fund called the superannuation fund shall be maintained by the minister of finance in the treasury department for the superannuation and retirement upon the terms and conditions hereinafter contained and set forth, of members of the public service, which fund shall be computed and made up as follows:

(a.) By a payment from the consolidated revenue fund during each financial year, of the capitalized value of the government's share of contributions, as that accrues for services rendered prior to July 1, 1908, by members retiring during that year:

(b.) By the reservation out of the salary of each member of the public service to whom this act applies of an amount equal to two and one-half per cent (2 1-2 per cent) of such salary for entrants under twenty-one years of age, and thence graded by such scale as shall, by order-in-council, be found to be actuarially necessary to produce a proportionate pension at age sixty, as each member's contributions shall provide during his respective years of service; such reservation to be made after and to commence from the first day of July, A. D. 1908:

(c.) By equivalent annual payments to those in sub-section (b) from the consolidated revenue fund:

(d.) By the accretion of income derived from interest and profits gained from the investment of the moneys from time to time standing to the credit of the superannuation fund:

Interest at the rate of four per cent per annum is hereby guaranteed:

All moneys from time to time standing to the credit of the superannuation fund shall always be available and may be used for the making of payments and allowances pursuant to the provisions of this act:

The minister of finance may, upon the advice of the managing committee as hereinafter provided, from time to time invest, realize upon the investments of, call in and re-invest, all or any part of the moneys from time to time standing to the credit of the superannuation fund.

Provided always, that within the margins agreed upon by the managing committee, certified by the attorney-general and confirmed by the lieutenant?governor by order-in-council, the finance minister after reserving such sums as may be safely estimated to adequately provide for current annuities, death benefits and expenses during the ensuing financial year, may invest such further portion of the accumulating total funds as the managing committee think fit, at such rates as they agree upon, in any safe securities, or in first mortgages upon the land and houses which members desire to purchase for their homes:

In such mortgages it shall be requisite that the full values of such houses (excluding the land values) shall be covered by insurance as the managing committee shall require, and that committee may make such reasonable monthly or other periodic terms for repayments as they may from time to time consider most suitable to the conditions prevailing in British Columbia.

Beyond the portion of the accumulated funds thus far currently invested, the finance minister may invest such further sums as the managing committee from time to time think fit, in first mortgages to British Columbian householders (but not to speculators) outside the public service, at such rates of interest as the managing committee think fit:

Provided always, that every value of such lands, and the separate value of each house thus mortgaged, shall first be certified by such qualified and trustworthy valuers as the managing committee may select, and in all cases the cost of such valuation shall be first paid by the mortgagor.

The fund shall be administered by a managing committee, consisting of the six deputy heads of the chief departments, who shall be the government's representatives, and six representatives chosen quinquenially by the contributors. The auditor general shall be the chairman, and in his absence the deputy head of the treasury department shall act as vice-chairman but no chairman shall have a casting vote.

In the event of equal voting on any question of principle, the matter shall be referred to the chief justice of British Columbia, whose decision shall be final, until any amending act is passed by the assembly.

Superannuation.

26. The managing committee shall grant a superannuation allowance not exceeding the allownce hereinafter authorized, which shall be payable and paid out of the superannuation fund to any member retiring from the public service who has been a member of the public service for ten years or upwards and who has attained the age of 60 years or has earlier become incapacitated by bodily or mental infirmity from properly performing his dutes:

Provided that service in an established capacity under the executive government of British Columbia prior to the passing of this act shall be deemed to be and shall be reckoned as service in an established capacity in the public service:

Provided also, that the service above prescribed need not have been continuously in one department or continuously in one capacity, but may have been rendered in more than one period.

An invalid annuitant shall upon recovery and re-employment in the public service relinquish his annuity until finally superannuated, and meantime provide by contributions for increasing his prospective annuity.

27. The superannuation allowance hereinbefore mentioned shall be calculated upon the accumulated value of the contributions made by and on behalf of the member of the public service to whom such allowance shall be made, and that capital sum shall be used to buy, within the fund, such annuity as it will financially purchase, according to the actuarial experience of the general expectation of life applicable to his age on retirement.

In computing the accumulating interest and number of years of service for the purposes of this act, if the actual period of service includes a fraction of a year, that fraction, if equal to or greater than one-half year, shall be computed as one full year's service.

In cases where the actual salaries of old servants are not recorded for bygone years of service, the auditor-general shall approximately estimate such bygone salaries according to best evidence he can obtain.

28. All allowances, pensions or annuities shall be payable on the last day of each month.

29. The superannuation of every member of the public service shall be preceded by a report to the managing committee from the head of the department in which such public servant is then employed, setting forth the term of service of such member of the public service and the reason for his intended superannuation.

30. If any member of the public service is constrained by mental overstrain or by reason of any infirmity of mind or body, not sustained by reason of or due to any negligence, vice or default, to retire from the public service before the time at which he becomes eligible to receive a superannuation allowance pursuant to the provisions of this act, the lieutenant-governor in council may by order in council allow and direct to be added to the capitalized accumulation for that public servant, such a gratuity as the merits of the case call forth, and that gratuity shall be applied through the superannuation fund to increase the original annuity then payable.

31. If any member of the public service is, by reason of severe bodily injury received or sustained by him in the discharge of his duties as a public servant and without any negligence or default on his own part, constrained to resign from the public service before the time at which he becomes eligible to receive a superannuation allowance pursuant to the provisions of this act, the lieutenant-governor in council may, by order in council, provide and direct to be added to the capitalized accumulation for that public servant, or to any person or persons dependent upon his earnings, such a gratuity as the merits of the case call forth, and that gratuity shall be applied through the superannuation fund to increase the original annuity then payable.

32. The annuities above provided shall, in the case of all married members, be converted within the fund to a joint annuity on the lives of husband and wife at the time of such retirement, in accordance with the actuarial scale which shall, by order in council, be computed for their respective ages; and in the case of other dependents it shall be within the option of any member to likewise convert his annuity within the fund, into one jointly with such dependents, according to the actuarial value his capitalized accumulation will purchase.

Compulsory Retirement.

33. Unless the lieutenant-governor in council, for special reasons otherwise orders, retirement shall be compulsory on every member of the public service who has attained the age of sixty-five (65) years or has become incapacitated by bodily or mental infirmity from properly performing his duties, so soon as the superannuation annuity herein provided for has been allotted by the managing committee to such member of the public service; and such allotment shall not be considered as implying any censure upon the member of the public service to whom it is made.

Resignations and Dismissals.

34. Nothing in this act contained shall impair or derogate from the right of the lieutenant-governor in council to dismiss or remove any member of the public service.

35. The managing committee, in the event of the dismissal of any member of the public service shall, on the recommendation of the head of the department in which such member of the public service was last employed, by minute direct the payment to such dismissed member of such amount, not exceeding the total amount, without interest, contributed by him to the superannuation fund or reserved out of his salary for the purposes of the superannuation fund, as may be thought fit, and such payments, less any defalcations perpetrated by him (if any), shall be paid out of the superannuation fund. Thereupon such person's membership shall cease and he shall have no further claim whatsoever upon the fund.

36. Upon a member resigning his appointment he shall be paid out of the fund the full amount of his own contributions with interest thereon (but shall not receive the contribution paid by the government). Thereupon such person's membership shall cease and he shall have no further claim whatsoever upon the fund.

37. In the event of a superannuated member's death before he has received annuities equal in amount to the combined total of his own and the government's contributions on his behalf, there shall be paid from the fund to his legal representatives the difference between that combined amount and the total sum he had received in annuities.

Supplemental Savings and Annuities.

44. To encourage thrift and self-reliance amongst members of the public service, it is further enacted that any member may, by separate account through the pay-roll or otherwise, save through the managing committee such monthly or lump sums as he may decide to reserve from his salary.

Provided always, that every member shall be free to withdraw one-fourth of his accumulated savings bank fund by giving one week's notice, and the whole or balance after one calendar month's notice. In all cases such savings bank accounts shall be kept strictly private.

The balance of the total accumulating funds, so far as not required for current use, may, within the adequate margins recommended by the managing committee, and confirmed by the lieutenant-governor in council, be invested through the finance minister in like securities to those prescribed in section 25 for the superannuation fund.

Members are thus specially encouraged to mutually accumulate their savings under secure and profitable conditions, in order that those who may wish may finally transfer their accumulated funds at the time of retirement to increase or supplement their annuities purchasable under the superannuation schemes.

45. Any retired or retiring member may at any time increase his annuity according to the actuarial rate applicable to his age, by extra payments into the superannuation fund of sums not less than one hundred dollars ($100).

The Duke of Devonshire is ill, and his heir, Hon. Victor Cavendish, M. P., has been summoned from Egypt.

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TELLS OF LIFE IN CORNWALL VILLAGE

Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan's Lecture on Cornish Characteristics

The lecture-entertainment given last night in the Congregational church by Rev. E. Tremayne Dunstan, the Australian divine, who is making a two weeks' visit in the city, was largely attended and judging from the hearty applause and outbursts of laughter at the lecturer's many amusing tales of the Cornish folk, was thoroughly enjoyed.

Rev. Mr. Dunstan has won for himself an enviable reputation in the antipodes as an entertaining and instructive lecturer and the many complimentary notices which he has received from the press of the Australian commonwealth were fully borne out by his lecture last night. As a Cornishman by birth and breeding, Rev. Mr. Dunstan was aptly qualified to tell of the "Old Folks at Home." Such was the title of his lecture and he brought out in a highly enteresting manner the many stirling characteristics of the hardy folk in the typical Cornwall village as he remembered it, when, as a young man, he first undertook his ministerial duties in that part of the old land. The speaker gave a word picture of life in a Cornish village, told of the stirling character of the people, their rugged strength, simplicity and earnestness of purpose and did not neglect the lighter side of the Cornishman's nature. His many stories of the naive wit and acuteness of the natives of Cornwall were greatly enjoyed and again and again the speaker's reminiscences were greeted with outbursts of laughter.

Rev. Mr. Dunstan touched on the various phases of life in the old village which he remembered so well, of the fine old village church and the legends connected therewith. Some of the churchyards were worth a visit if only to inspect the many curious epitaphs which in bygone years were inscribed on the tombstones of the departed. Some of these epitaphs Rev. Mr. Dunstan recited, much to the amusement of his audience. The village parson, the clerk, the carrol singer and the many other characters which were years ago found in almost every Cornish village were made to stand forth as living characters, their many quaint ways and shrewd wit being well illustrated in the anecdotes which the lecturer told with telling effect. The intense religious nature of the Cornishman, his energy in revival, courage in moments of danger and his simple faith were all touched upon and demonstrated in the many stories of incidents, some grave, many humorous and all thoroughly enjoyed.

The lecture was divided into several parts, between which songs were rendered appropriate to the lecture. Those who took part in the musical portion of the programme were Miss Thompson, Mr. Wilson and several selections were rendered by a male quartet.

The corporation of Bath has been requested to remove the trophy of captured Boer rifles from the Guild hall. It is probable that this will be done.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE HAS A LARGE FLEET

Had Total of 160 Ocean-Going Steamers in Commission at Beginning of Year

One of the world's largest shipping fleets is that of the Hamburg-America line which at the beginning of the year consisted of 160 ocean-going steamers with a carrying capacity of 818,000 tons register and a complement of 12,000 men. There were also seven other vessels on the stocks, with a capacity of 62,000 gross register tons. Amongst the new ships built in 1907 were the two large vessels built by Messrs. Harland and Wolff—viz., the President Lincoln and President Grant which take the first rank. There were also delivered the steamers intended for the La Plata trade, the Konig Wilhelm, 9,332 gross tons, as well as the East Asiatic coasting steamers, the Sui Mow and Schiang, each of 1,850 tons gross. The following steamers were acquired by purchase, viz.: eight from the Woermann Line, with a carrying capacity of 30,575 tons gross; the steamers Sieglinde and Siegmund of 6,071 tons each, from the Union line; and nine other boats aggregating 40,000 tons. This new tonnage pretty well balances the not inconsiderable number of steamers removed from the Hamburg-America line in 1907. The steamers Prinz Waldemar, 4,568 tons; the Teutonia, 3,069 tons, and Barussia, 6,951 tons, were wrecked and eight steamers accounting for 24,900 tons, were sold.

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THE BUDGET DEBATE.

The Budget debate proved more than usually interesting. We are not quite sure that we see the force of the amendment proposed by Mr. Oliver. Substantially it amounted to an expression of regret that the government had not done more to colonize our farm land and thus prevent money from going out of the province for food products that can be raised at home. It also contained time-worn reference to sales of land to speculators. If we may judge from the lack of support which Mr. Oliver was able to enlist from his associates in the House, his amendment was not taken seriously, even by his own party. As a matter of fact, there was no reason why the House should adopt such a resolution, and as it was a straight vote of want of confidence, there never was any chance that it would be adopted. For this reason it is to be inferred that if his colleagues in opposition thought that the subject was worth discussing, they would doubtless have spoken to it. Dr. Kergin and Mr. Brewster did say something, but they were moderate and reasonable in their criticisms. Dr. King and Mr. Jones also spoke, but they are not reported as having said anything in favor of Mr. Oliver's amendment. We are inclined, therefore, to take the case presented by the member from Delta at about the same value as his fellow oppositionists placed upon it, namely, as something that may be treated with indifference.

Mr. Carter-Cotton made an interesting speech, which seems to have been carefully thought out, and was delivered with conspicuous care. This was specially manifest in his references to the proposal of Mr. Oliver that the province ought to surrender the personal property tax to the government. This is a subject upon which we intend for the present to keep an open mind. A period in the history of the province is approaching when there may have to be some readjustment of rights and responsibilities between the provincial and the local authorities, and for the present we do not care to become committed to any view of what is a subject of considerable difficulty, and in the determinnation of which many things have to be taken into account. As Mr. Cotton says, the conditions of British Columbia are such that the rules adopted in other provinces may not be wholly applicable here, but we are not sure that his views can wholly be sustained. Nevertheless, we congratulate him upon a very clear and impressive presentation of the opinion held by him on what is bound at a very early day to become a question of pressing interest. The whole speech of the President of the Council was, in point of general excellence, a notable contribution to the debates of the present session.

AN ILL-NATURED CRITIC.

The Toronto Globe has reached the conclusion that the course of the Conservative Party, and especially that section of it which resides in British Columbia is "unpatriotic and disuniting." We may paraphase Dr. Johnson's remark slightly and say that to charge others with lack of patriotism is the last resort of people who are short of arguments. For some reason, best known to itself for it is certainly not apparent from anything known to the public, the Toronto paper has seen fit to question the motives and objects of those to whom it is politically opposed. A few days ago a certain reverend gentleman, who is not unknown to the Globe, told the public that the way to settle the Oriental question is to Christianize the Japanese and Chinese. We have no desire to belittle the influence of foreign missions, but have always favored work in the home field in preference, and in view of the fact that such an excellent opportunity is open in the Globe office for missionary labor, we suggest that our contemporary should call upon Mr. McDonald to exercise his good offices there. We suggest as a suitable text the Commandment forbidding us to bear false witness against our neighbors. The Globe speaking of the "All-Red" project, said:

> Conservative newspapers while pretending to bless have done nothing but knife it. They have sneered at it and published in gleeful headlines everything that promised to kill the project. There have been one or two exceptions. The Halifax Herald and The Victoria Colonist have been prevented by local opinion from following in the wake of their sister journals, but they have not been straightforward enough to reason with or protest against the jeering and jibing campaign that has been conducted against a project which we firmly believe was one of the most important launched in recent years.

We do not claim to know what attitude the Halifax Herald has taken on this question or why it has taken it, but we do know that the Globe has either deliberately or ignorantly misrepresented the attitude of the Colonist, and one sort of misrepresentation is just as bad as the other. When the Globe undertakes to say that this paper has been prevented from following anybody or any paper in opposing this undertaking by local opinion it makes an assertion that ought not to have found a place in a newspaper professing respectability. The Colonist's support to the "All-Red" project has been pronounced and hearty since the day Sir Wilfrid Laurier first mentioned it. The Colonist has led public opinion in the West on this subject, not waited to be influenced by it. The Colonist hopes that it is able to rise above that petty conception of political duty which leads some papers to support everything which their friends propose and antagonize everything which their opponents favor. It happens that its prompt advocacy of this project so completely took the wind out of the sails of its local Liberal contemporary that the latter exhibited a disposition to criticize the proposal adversely. Not only have we staunchly supported the idea of an improved inter-Imperial transportation service, but we have strongly condemned the spirit in which Conservative contemporaries in the eastern provinces approached the discussion of it. The reason for our line of conduct is that the Colonist is first of all a truly Canadian paper, and after that the supporter of a political party. It is absolutely independent in all things, and it exercises its own judgment as to what it shall support and what it shall oppose. If it has any influence in this province or elsewhere, it believes that influence to be due to the fact that it treats all questions from an independent point of view, while openly avowing its belief that it is in the interests of the people of Canada that the Conservative party shall be in control of the affairs of the country.

The Globe charges Mr. Borden and Mr. McBride with going around a powder mill with a candle, the reference being to their attitude towards Japanese immigration. Sir Wilfrid Laurier is on record as saying that the wishes of the people of British Columbia are entitled to be considered, even although he personally does not sympathize with them. All that Mr. McBride has done is to give expression to those wishes; all that Mr. Borden has done is to state his views of how those wishes can best be met. On this subject the Colonist can lay claim to whatever honor attaches to the fact of its having been the first paper in Canada to place this question before the public in its Imperial character. Our attitude has met with approval both in Japan and the United Kingdom, and it is with no small degree of satisfaction that we are able to point out the close resemblance between the attitude of the London Times today and that of the Colonist a year ago. If the Globe appreciated the Oriental question as those do who have had the question before them for years, who have been in a position to observe what the contact of the Occident and Orient means, who read regularly the Oriental press, who meet prominent Oriental people and hundreds of Occidental observers, having an intimate personal knowledge of conditions in Asia, it would take a very different view of the case from what it does now. It would appreciate then as it cannot appreciate now, how mistaken Sir Wilfrid Laurier is in his expressed views as to the desirability of permitting Orientals to enter Canada freely. It would understand that Mr. McBride and Mr. Borden are contributing towards the solution of this great problem far more than those of whom the Globe is the representative, and whose attitude is that of men who seek to prevent an explosion by sitting on the safety valve.

The Globe goes on to condemn Mr. McBride for his refusal to abandon the question of better terms for British Columbia, and cites this as another instance of his "unpatriotic and disuniting" sentiments. It would be an exceedingly easy thing to say in reply that to oppose the just demands of a province is unpatriotic and disuniting. Good faith is at the basis of Confederation, and if a province is not treated in good faith, we can conceive of nothing more calculated to be "disuniting" in its tendency, and to be disuniting is certainly unpatriotic. The Globe thinks that the province ought to be satisfied because the Conservative members of the inter-Provincial Conference thought it was given all it is entitled to. We do not see what this has to do with the case. We never considered that the Conservative members of that Conference understood the subject any better than the Liberal members. We have always thought that they were all alike ignorant of what justice required in our behalf, and that they were all too greatly influenced by their own provincial interests to make it possible for them to be an impartial tribunal. This is why Mr. McBride asked for another tribunal to pass upon the claims of the province, and it is why the people of British Columbia will never consider their claims properly disposed of until they have been dealt with by such a tribunal.

Concluding we will say that if the Globe would approach the discussion of the motives and views of other people with that fairness of mind, which ought to characterize a paper of its standing, if it would drop a little of that smug assumption that it is holier than any one else and admit that possibly there might by some accident be a man on this side of the Rocky Mountains who is sincerely desirous of promoting the welfare of his country, it would do more towards the promotion of a sound Canadian sentiment, more to foster a genuine feeling of unity between the provinces, and more to develop true patriotism than it is now accomplishing.

STREET MAINTENANCE.

Yesterday morning we published the main portions of the annual report of City Engineer Topp. It is not only a very interesting but exceedingly valuable and instructive document, which ought to be perused in extenso by every ratepayer who would wish to be well informed as to the details of civic management. There is one portion of the report, however, to which we wish to direct immediate attention—viz.: wherein the question of street maintenance is dealt with. We must congratulate Mr. Topp on having dealt very candidly with a problem which can only be solved when the ratepayers are made to understand how very serious a one it is. Mr. Topp, realizing this, has spoken very plainly and laid bare some facts of a character which can hardly fail to influence the people of Victoria who are desirous of seeing an improvement made in respect to the matters alluded to. We quote from the report, for the ideas advanced in it cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public:

> As mentioned in former reports, the fund allowed for street maintenance is totally inadequate for the purpose. Sixty dollars per day is not sufficient to clean, water and repair one hundred miles of roadway, and clear brush, clean ditches, repair wooden drains and sidewalks, purchase supplies and attend to various other matters. In the summer $25 is spent daily on sprinkling; $20 cleaning business section; $10 for sidewalk repairs, leaving $5. In winter about $35 for street cleaning, $10 on drains and $10 on sidewalks is spent daily, leaving $5 for all other purposes. Assuming that the $5 remaining was available solely for street repairing, which it is not, we would have the munificent sum of 5 cents per mile to keep the streets in repair. Considering that the roads have been dug up at intervals of a few feet for sewer, water and gas pipes and often left in a miserable condition, it would take a magician to keep things in order with such an absurd amount of money. It is useless harping about the condition of the streets if the citizens neglect to furnish the means to place and generally keep them in order. The roads are generally allowed to be worn out before any surfacing is done. As a macadam road, under heavy traffic, will wear down at the rate of from one to three inches per year, it requires frequent resurfacing to maintain it in a smooth condition. New streets will get in bad shape and old streets will remain bad indefinitely unless a proper system of surface renewal is adopted and continued from year to year. A special sum should be set aside for this work, so that it can be laid out early each year, the necessary rock excavating during the summer months and the crushing, laying and rolling proceed as soon as the fall rains begin and work continued till the following spring. If a scarifier is used to break up the old surface and this is trimmed evenly and rolled, only a light coating of broken rock is necessary, and the work need not be costly. If the present system, or rather lack of system, continues, in a few years there will not be an old road fit to drive over in the city. A sum of at least $20,000 should be expended annually on the resurfacing of macadam streets. The main thoroughfares or trunk roads should be first dealt with, then the residential streets, from the business centre outward; besides this, about thirty yards of broken rock per mile should be available for general repairs. In this manner the proper contour of the road can be maintained.

In the foregoing, Mr. Topp has told us very plainly what are the faults of the present system and outlined the method by which they may be corrected. He proves unmistakably that the city has grown beyond the stage when the customary financial appropriations were adequate to provide for the requirements of street maintenance. More money must be voted. The ratepayers must choose between agreeing to larger appropriations and the alternative which Mr. Topp pictures—"In a few years there will not be an old road fit to drive over in the city." We feel that in view of the very serious state of affairs disclosed by the City Engineer's report the city council would be justified in grappling boldly with a problem which can be solved only by increased expenditure, and we feel also that in such policy they would have behind them the overwhelming sentiment of the community. As we remarked in a previous allusion to the question of street improvement, the eyes of many new residents are upon us at this time. If we show ourselves indisposed to bear the responsibilities attaching to and inseparable from increase of population and civic expansion, we will commit a fatal blunder.

THE CANADA ZINC COMPANY.

A Bill is before the legislature providing that the government may loan $10,000 to the Canada Zinc Company for two years, for the purpose of enabling the company to instal the Snyder patent process for the treatment of lead-zinc ores. The loan is to be secured by a mortgage on the real and personal property of the company, included in which are the exclusive rights for Canada to use the Snyder process. It is proper that a proposal of this nature should be somewhat carefully examined.

First as to the principle. The legislature has already sanctioned provincial aid to private enterprises by bonusing creameries, and grants to agriculture, and on one occasion an advance by way of a loan was made to a quartz mining company in Cariboo. The former advances have proved very advantageous, although they were not in the nature of loans; the last-named did not produce any very good results, and the reason seems to have been that the quartz in the locality where the plant was established was not rich enough in gold values. The government has the machinery, which was pledged in security for the loan. But there is a much more conspicuous illustration of the principle of government aid to the development of new processes, namely, the experiments carried on by the Dominion Mines Department in connection with the electrical smelting of iron. There are certain differences in detail between the Dominion plan and that embodied in the proposed loan to the Canada Zinc Company. In the former case the government was at the whole expense, and it has been quite large. It had to employ the necessary experts and bear all expenditures, and the results of the investigation were made public as fast as they were arrived at, and consequently not one dollar of the cost will ever be directly recouped to the Dominion treasury. To this we not only have made no objection, but have on several occasions spoken in terms of approval of the efforts in that behalf made by Mr. Templeman, under whose supervision, as Minister, the work has been and is being carried on. The plan in the proposed Bill is for a loan, which will be repaid if the process is a success, and if it is not, the province will have the patent rights and such machinery and other property, real as well as personal, as the company may acquire. It has to employ no experts and be at no expense whatever over and above the amount of the loan. If the process is a success, the province will get its money back in two years, and the lead-zinc ores will become an exceedingly valuable source of business prosperity. The risk the government is running is the possibility of the failure of the process to produce commercially the results which it does experimentally, and it is not taking all the risk, but only a small part of it. True, if the process proves to be a success, it will be in the hands of a single company; but, on the other hand, this is only one of several similar processes, and if it is feasible private enterprise would be doubtless found ready to venture upon the expense of experimenting commercially with others. Under any circumstances it would be a highly satisfactory thing for the province to have even one process of treating the lead-zinc ores profitably established in the province. We think, therefore, that the proposed loan can be defended upon principle.

As to the necessity of perfecting some such process, there is unhappily no doubt. The great lead deposits in the Slocan, and we suppose the same is to be said of others in the province, are badly handicapped by the presence of zinc mixed mechanically with the lead, with silver in combination with both of them. Such an ore is very difficult to handle profitably. Two processes of separation are now employed, one by water and one by electricity. There is no need to go into particulars, but the way things work out, by reason of the penalizing of lead ores carrying more than 10 per cent. of zinc, the very low value of the zinc concentrates, owing to the presence of lead and iron in them, and the fact that the silver in the zinc is only paid for at half its value, the lead-zinc ores, which really contain very high values, are substantially worthless. We think it will be admitted that if by the Snyder process these ores can be treated profitably, the proposed loan will be money well employed. Under these circumstances, we feel warranted in saying that the proposal of the government is fully justified, although we admit that it is not desirable to let the impression go abroad that the province will make a practice of acting as banker for the promoters of new undertakings. Each case must be judged on its merits, and we are sure a meritorious case can be made out for the proposed loan to the Canada Zinc Company.

The London Morning Post advocates the sending of white labor under contract to Canada. There is a rooted objection in this country to the importation of contract labor and it is not confined to the labor unions. The principle is wrong. Most Canadians will welcome labor from the United Kingdom with open arms, but they prefer to have the men come as independent immigrants.

The action of the North American Fish and Game Protective Association of Albany, New York, in urging the setting aside of a big reserve in British Columbia is interesting as indicative of how highly the facilities for the hunter and sportsman in this province are beginning to be appraised in distant parts of the world. Our big game constitutes not the least of the assets of this marvellous country.

Ex-Mayor Morley, who presided at a meeting held in Esquimalt on Tuesday night, when the desirability of a taking steps to abate the nuisance of road houses was discussed, made some observations in regard to Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken's attitude towards this question, because of his connection with certain litigation. It is none of our business, and none of Mr. Morley's, what duties Mr. Helmcken may assume in a professional way, and we do not propose to comment upon them, but we feel it only right to say that any observations directed against him in connection with the sale or use of intoxicating liquors, which reflect in the least upon his character or record, are deserving of the severest condemnation. Mr. Helmcken has been prominent in Victoria for a good many years and by principle and example has done much to promote abstinence and encourage young men to practice total abstinence. Such criticisms as those in which Mr. Morley indulged do more to injure a good cause than all the influence he can exert will forward it.

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NOTE AND COMMENT

Surely the case of the suffragettes in London furnishes the most monumental example of misdirected zeal on record! Were the very fate of the British empire trembling in the balance, those women could not work harder to avert impending calamity. What a pity such tremendous energy cannot be diverted into a more profitable channel? As it is, the net result of their "agitation" is that they have brought the cause which they espouse into disrepute and estrangled the sympathy and support of the very people who would be most inclined to lend them aid. One is actually disposed to believe that they are afflicted with a species of insanity on reading the following press cable, dated London, February 19:

The suffragette who announced that she would sing for the benefit of the movement tried the experiment last night. She did not, however, sing in front of the West-end clubs, as she said she would, but tried the quiet boarding-house district of Bloomsbury. The result was discouraging. The three collectors accompanying her had an idle time. She then tried to melt the crowds lined up at the theatres. Here she had even worse success, and she went home early. Earlier in the evening another suffragette started sweeping crossings with a broom jauntily decorated with ribbons. She and her attendant collector proved too attractive for success. Crowds gathered to watch her, threatening to stop traffic, whereupon an unsympathetic policeman ordered her to quit or be arrested. Not desiring martyrdom, she went. She reaped only a few coppers. Owing to a wet morning and a raw afternoon, no suffragettes were out on the streets early in the day prosecuting the collection campaign. A few were engaged collecting in the railroad stations. They allege that they are doing well. A lady offered one of the collectors a year's rent—$1,200. Considerable jewelry was also received—at least it is so stated.

Advices received by shipping men of Montreal indicate that the coming immigration season will be at least as heavy as that of last year, despite the increased passenger rates and the reports which have been industriously circulated in Europe of trade depression on this side. If this proves one thing more than another it is that Canada's fame as a land of opportunities has spread to an extent which renders it immune to the attacks of calamity howlers and dissatisfied immigrants who acted very much as did the hero of a popular song who "walked right in and turned around and walked right out again." A press dispatch from Montreal, dated February 20, says:

The passenger agents of the Canadian Pacific in England report that there is indication of as much business as the ships can handle during the busy months. In fact cables received yesterday state that all the Canadian Pacific steamers sailing for St. John during March have been heavily booked in the second class and the steerage departments, which comprise the immigrant classes. Some surprise has also been occasioned at the continued heavy eastern business despite the sharp increase in rates which went into effect on February 10th, when the recent rate war was officially called off. When these new rates went into effect it was generally expected that there would be a marked diminution in the demand for berths, but this has not been the case, and travel eastwards continues as brisk as ever. The Empress of Britain, which sails from St. John on Friday, will carry 70 first class, 100 second and 650 steerage passengers, an unusually heavy eastbound load for this time of the year. Other boats sailing from Halifax and St. John report the same conditions, which afford considerable pleasure to the shipping men, who had not anticipated so much business during this month.

There is general agreement that a sufficient amount of mystery attaches to the action of the United States in transferring its entire naval strength from the Atlantic to the Pacific to furnish legitimate ground for speculation as to what is the underlying motive, and thus the public have lent willing ear to those who had theories to advance in explanation of the same. A number of the eastern newspapers are publishing a rather remarkable story from Paris. It is affirmed that an understanding exists between the Washington government and the German government whereby Germany will purchase the Phillipines, the United States retaining a coaling station. The fleet will go to Manila as a precautionary measure in case Japan should become irritated when the deal is disclosed. So well informed a journal as the Montreal Gazette is disposed to treat the story seriously. It says:

The lively imagination of the Parisian pressman has devised more improbable theories. Germany is credited with a desire for a colonial empire, and one ready-made might be had in Spain's old Eastern Indian islands. If current expressions in the press are an indication, the United States people as a whole would be pleased enough to get rid of the elephant they paid Spain $20,000,000 for at the close of the war over Cuba. The only objection might be Asiatic. There has been a great change in the world's views as to the value of Asiatic possessions since a Russian fleet was destroyed in the Sea of Japan and Port Arthur surrendered to an army of yellow men whose generals are counted among the world's master strategists. Western powers now feel that they may have to fight to hold any Asiatic possessions they have, and to fight at the disadvantage of being a long way from home, and a base of supplies. The price of the Philippines should be low if Germany is to be the purchaser.

The Ecclesiastical Commissioners announce the increase to four hundred thousands pounds of the annual appropriation for augmentations to poor benefices, and the making of fresh annual grants of fifty thousand pounds per annum for pressing cases not possessing local claims.

FORTY YEARS AGO

The British Colonist, Thursday, February 27, 1868.

A telegram to this office last evening announced the impeachment of President Johnson of the United States. Particulars were promised, but up to eleven o'clock nothing additional was received.

Declined—Greenbacks declined yesterday to 67.

Earthquake—Last night, at precisely 27 minutes to nine o'clock two slight shocks of earthquake were felt in this city. The movement was from east to west. Each shock lasted about three seconds, with an interval of about five minutes between them. The shocks were accompanied by a rumbling noise.

Chamber of Commerce—At the annual meeting of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce the following officers were elected: President, Henry Rhodes; vice president, Gustave Sutro; treasurer and secretary, A. F. Main; arbitration committee, G. J. Findlay, Edgar Marvin, Emil Sutro, John Wilkie, F. Weisenburger, E. Grancini.

Arrival—The brig Commodore, ten days from San Francisco, arrived on Tuesday night. The brig is consigned to Capt. Stamp, at whose mills she will load lumber for San Francisco.

The fame of Burrard Inlet lumber has reached the San Franciscoans and a cargo of 200,000 feet has been ordered from Capt. Stamp. It is believed that the excellence of the Burrard Inlet article will justify the payment of duty and allow a handsome margin for profit, as it commands a higher price than any other lumber imported.

ABOUT PEOPLE

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, who was sixty-two the other day, will says the Daily Chronicle, have birthday good wishes from all sorts and conditions of men. The second son of a rural dean, who was also fourth Marquis of Waterford, he will keep next year the jubilee of his joining the old Britannia as a naval cadet. Lord Charles married Miss Mina Gardner in 1878, and their daughters bear the pretty names of Kathleen and Eileen. They have a house in Wilton Crescent, London, and gave up four years ago their pretty home on Ham Common in order to take up their abode in the now fashionable district of Coombe, near Richmond.

Cricketer, scholar, traveller, and man of the world, Lord Harris, who is just fifty-seven, has, says the London Standard, a record of work achieved of which many might well be jealous. He was under secretary at the India office under Lord Randolph Churchill; he then acted as Under Secretary of War, and went to Bombay as Governor, returning thence in 1895. After that he was for six years Lord-in-Waiting to Queen Victoria, and served as A. A. G. with the Imperial Yeomanry during the South African war. In these latter days Lord Harris is perhaps best known to the general public as chairman of the Consolidated Goldfields of South Africa.

A mighty hunter, a prolific writer on sporting subjects, a member of the bar and of parliament, a traveller in far distant parts of the globe, a Royal Commissioner of Food Supplies in Time of War, and captain of the Royal Wimbledon Golf club—all these varied employments stand to the credit of Sir Henry Seton-Karr, who is just fifty-five, lives at St. Boswells, N. B., and has a very large collection of American and Norwegian trophies. He was born in India his father having been resident commissioner at Baroda during the mutiny, and during the course of a rambling life he has travelled and shot big game in Western America, British Columbia, and Norway, and has embodied many of his reminiscences in "My Sporting Holiday."

At the conclusion of the examination the Emperor picked out a number of generals and placed them in the ranks among the common soldiers. The recruits were then ordered to point out which were generals, which lieutenant-generals, which major-generals, and which brigadier-generals. All the men answered these purely military questions with correctness, and the Emperor's anger was somewhat appeased.

Exploding Fly Wheels.

In ordinary factories the flywheel may become more deadly than any shrapnel ever rammed into artillery breach. One can hardly pick up an engineering journal without noting a flywheel explosion. I myself counted eighteen in two months, and many more are unrecorded altogether. The engine is wrecked, costly machinery ruined, buildings damaged, and all persons in the path of the flying cast iron missles are either killed or badly maimed. In July, 1905, a thirty-foot flywheel, weighing seventy thousand pounds and revolving at three and a half miles a minute, burst in a mill at Cumberland, Maryland. The whole buiding was instanty wrecked and the roof thrown down on the workers, of whom two were killed outright and ten mangled.

There are no safe flywheels, the insurance companies say, because no machine will run continuously without some accident. This was shown by a startling episode at a steel mill in Cleveland. A powerful engine was running smoothly and at normal speed, when the governor belt broke and the engine began to race. There were safety devices in use, but these proved unavailing. Running to shut off steam, the engineer in his excitement got his arm caught in a sproket wheel and chain, and could not disengage it to close the valve. It was a terrible position, for the man foresaw disaster. The engine was by this time fairly flying. Just as the oiler was running to his comrade's assistance the great twenty foot flywheel, weighing forty-eight thousand pounds, burst with a terrifying report from centrifugal force. Both men were struck down, and everything wrecked in the path of the broken monster. One fragment weighing over one thousand pounds was hurled through the roof for eight hundred feet, and in falling wrecked a house. The steel roof trusses were cut like pipe stems, heavy girders smashed into shapeless masses and brick walls battered down.

The Edinburgh engineering firm of Bruce, Peebles & Co. is arranging a liquidation because of lack of working capital.

BRITISH OPINION

London Daily Telegraph.—It is confidently stated in quarters generally well informed as to the intentions of the Irish Parliamentary party that in consequence of the re-union of the leaders an active propaganda is to be prosecuted in Great Britain in favor of Home Rule. The threatened campaign will be far more disastrous to the Ministerial party in England and Scotland than it will be embarrassing to Unionists, who, indeed, should welcome it. We have it on the authority of the leading members of the Government, including the Prime Minister himself, that no measure of Home Rule setting up an Irish Administration responsible only to an Irish Asembly sitting in Dublin will be introduced during the lifetime of the present Parliament. One of the statements on which the majority of Radical members relied to win support at the last election was to the effect that "Home Rule is dead." Not a few of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's supporters gave a specific pledge that if a Home Rule Bill were introduced they would either vote against it or resign. None of them can view with serenity the renewal of an agitation in England and Scotland the avowed object of which is to secure the return of such Radicals only as will bind themselves to vote for a scheme of Irish independence at least as comprehensive as that introduced by Mr. Gladstone in his last administration. From a Unionist point of view, on the other hand, the chief danger lies in the shortness of political memories amongst electors and their boredom with the Irish question. The new campaign will revive interest, and will enable Imperialists to demonstrate that the objections to a policy of separation are as strong today as at the close of the nineteenth century. Whatever the issue of this fresh missionary effort may be, the fact remains that Ireland must ge governed, not in accordance with Irish ideas, but in obedience to the primary principles of justice, liberty and order. Mr. Birrell's apologia—probably the most mischievious incident since the conversion of Mr. Gladstone— is simply a confession of hopeless impotence, engendered by a blindness which seems to be deliberate and wilful.

London Standard.—We are convinced that uninformed criticism will hamper rather than assist the authorities in this case (the theft of the Crown jewels). Nor have we any desire to increase the difficulties that obviously encircle the path of justice by harrassing with inquiries those who are engaged in pursuing it. No useful purpose can be served by a discussion of the evidence which has already been exhaustively examined by the Commission. The moral to be drawn from it has been already dwelt upon, and it has clearly not escaped the investigators. Greater care will be exercised in future, and the leson taught by the removal of the jewels will be thoroughly learned. The whole affair has evidently no political significance at all. It might have occurred under any Administration. It must of course never be permitted to occur again. The personal equation in such mysteries often contain the clues to the whole situation, and the conclusions to be reached from a recognition of the fact are of wide and general application. We can only repeat that, while sympathising with the authorities in the situation in which they have been placed, we are very sure they have dealt with the matter as prudently and as satisfactorily as they could.

Daily News.—The story as unfolded in the official report yesterday certainly reveals an amazing confidence in the security of the jewels from theft. The most elementary precautions for the safety of precious stones of enormous value seem to have been neglected. The safe containing them was left outside the strong-room built for them because, "after the strong-room was completed" (a characteristic Hibernian touch) "it was found that the safe could not be got in by the door," so it remained placidly outside in the library easy of access to all comers, and with latchkeys in superfluity distributed amongst various persons, from the head official to the servants. On occasions immediately preceding the disappearance of the jewels the office and strong-room had been opened at night by unauthorized persons, and no action had been taken. It is a remarkable story—still incomplete. We can surmise that further efforts will be made to secure its completion.

Daily Chronicle. — Who stole the jewels? The Commissioners throw no great light. The unknown thief was, in their opinion, "the person who entered the Office of Arms on the night of July 2 and again on the night of July 5," and he must have "possessed three keys—a latchkey for the outer door, a key of the strong-room, and a key of the safe." But, as there were in existence seven latchkeys, four strong-room keys and two safe keys, this does not carry us very far. It should be added that no suggestion is made in the report against Sir Arthur Vicars except on the score of insufficient care; that one gentleman who has been mentioned as a suspect is expressly absolved, and that no suspicion appears to be attached to any of the persons named as possessing keys.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Welshmen's Banquet.

Sir—I am sure that all Welshmen will be pleased to hear of the proposed Welshmen's dinner on Monday, March 2, to commemorate our patron saint, St. David. There is nothing that increases a friendly feeling towards and appreciation of your neighbor so much as a meeting of this kind, where everyone sees the brightest side of his neighbor's character, and all troubles more or less forgotten for the time. The recollections of an evening spent in this way are very lasting and as I have said, an occasion of this kind does more to promote good fellowship than any other gathering. There are many prominent Welshmen in this town who have promised to attend at this dinner and I have no doubt that the rank and file, of which I am one, will be there to support them. GRAHAM FORESTER.

Salt Water Fire Protection.

Sir—In your editorial columns this morning I note you state "that the council has determined to proceed with the installation of a salt water system for fire protection."

I am informed that the city has not obtained an opinion from its own water supply expert as to whether he considers this necessary in addition to the provision he has already made for an abundant water supply for all purposes with a gravity pressure for the portion of the city in question of from 60 to 80 pounds.

I am not expressing an opinion for or against, but it appears to me folly to pay one of the best doctors obtainable for a prescription and then without consulting him further add another expensive dose at the dictation of the insurance interests.

If Mr. Adams did not make full provision for fire protection as well as domestic purposes the city is paying for incomplete advice. If on the other hand full provision is made it is folly to spend this large additional sum unnecessarily. A. J. MORLEY.

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BOMBARDED VILLAGE FOR CANNIBALISM

Barkentine From South Seas Brought Tale of Murder of Missionary and Punishment

The barkentine S. N. Castle, which has arrived at San Francisco from Pago Pago in the South eas brought the details of the massacre of Rev. Alexander McLoughlin, who was devoured by cannibals on St. George island of the Solomon group, November 1st, and whose bones are now in possession of the government of New Zealand, having been taken there from the island by the British gunboat Henemoa, which was sent on a punitive expedition to avenge his death and teach the savages of the Solomon group a salutary lesson.

According to the story told by First Officer Charles Hagrup and corroborated by others on board the S. N. Castle, Rev. Alexander McLoughlin was attached to the Presbyterian mission to the Solomon islands, and for several years had conducted his labors among the group of islands which bear the name. St. George island is one of the islands situated at the southwest of the group, and until a year ago had never, on account of the ferocity and truclence of the cannibal tribes which dwell there, been visited by even the most daring of the members of the mission.

Much against the wishes and advice of his coadjutors in the benign work of spreading the teachings and benefits of Christianity among the savage islanders, McLoughlin undertook the self imposed task of preaching the gospel to the natives of the hitherto neglected islanders. Mcloughlin, who had been stationed at Pago Pago, left for the scene of his new labors last June, and nothing was heard of him until a few months ago, when news was brought to the head station that he had been eaten by the cannibals.

Word was at once dispatched to Auckland, New Zealand, the headquarters of the missionary enterprise, and Sir Joseph Ward, Premier of New Zealand, acting under advice from the British Government dispatched the British steamer Hinemoa to make an investigation.

The Henemoa arrived at Astrolabe creek, the only harbor on St. George's island on January 3, and Commander Deakin had Bolo Onehunga, the chief of the island, brought aboard. After a sweating Onehunga admitted the facts as to the disappearance of McLoughlin, and volunteered to bring in the bones of the missionary. Deakin gave the savage to understand that the bones, under the circumstances, must be restored, and that the members of the tribe who participated in the act of cannibalism must be brought aboard the Hinemoa and a fine of fifty tons of shells paid to atone for the death of the missionary. With a dejected air Onehunga departed promising to comply with the commander's wish.

He did not return, however, for several days, and Commander Deakin gave orders for the bombardment of the village which was some distance up the creek. After a few shells had been dropped into the huts, which rapidly caught fire, Onehunga sent several natives with a flag of truce, offering to accede to the demands. The shells and the bones of the missionary were in the course of a few days delivered aboard the gunboat and a solemn agreement entered into by Onehunga to refrain from cannibalism hereafter.

The Hinemoa left for Auckland on January 9th with the bones of the missionary on board.

HOW THEY WINTER

Northern Newspaper Tells How Navigators of the Yukon Spend Off Season

The White Horse Star tells of how the men who navigate the river steamers of the upper Yukon fleet spend the winter as follows: As Yukon navigation is a thing of only five summer months, skippers, pilots, engineers and mates of Yukon craft invariably winter on the outside. But they differ very materially in the manner of passing the time when on the outside. Some go out and engage in the same line of business on craft that operates all the year; others go sealing and others board with their real families and spend the winter in ease and in the enjoyment of home comforts—and an occasional game of solo at the Dutchman's.

Captain Sanborn differs from others in that when the icy blasts of winter begin to howl, he leaves the pilot house and goes mining. Up to the present time he has been developing quartz property on the river below Yukon Crossing and now he has gone on a short visit to his home in Portland from which place he will soon return to British Columbia to spend two or three months in looking after mining property he owns in the mountain fastness of that country. No solo for him. In fact, he scarcely knows one card from another.

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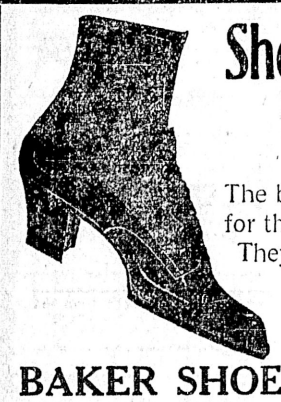

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NEWS OF THE CITY

Local Bank Clearings

Local bank clearings for the week ended Tuesday totalled $1,149,253.

Pythian Sisters to Meet

Island Temple, No. 8, Pythian Sisters, will meet on Friday evening at 8 o'clock sharp, in the K. of P. hall. All members are requested to attend.

Saanich Liberals Will Meet

On the first Wednesday in March the Liberals of Saanich will hold a meeting at the Royal Oak schoolhouse.

Season Soon Ends

The duck shooting season will close on Sunday, March 1. Reports from the Prospect Lake district indicate that the birds are very plentiful there at present.

School at Mission Creek

The contract for the erection of the school at Mission Creek has been signed. I. C. Jones will erect the building. The contract price is $1,700.

Liner Docks Today.

E. E. Blackwood, Atlantic steamship agent, has been advised that the Cunard liner Saxonia will arrive at Boston today from Liverpool, with 571 passengers on board.

Form Attractive Exhibit.

Two of the Hungarian partridges recently imported by A. E. Todd, and which died after their arrival here, have been stuffed and can be seen in the window of Pichon & Lenfesty, the gunsmiths of Johnson street.

Will Meet This Evening.

Court Columbia, Canadian Order of Foresters, meets this evening at 8 o'clock in Sir William Wallace hall, Broad street. A large turnout of the members is expected as business of importance will come before the meeting.

Celebrate Memorial Day.

The annual memorial day celebration in memory of the late Frances Willard will be held by the local W. C. T. U. at the home of Mrs. (Capt.) Grant, Point Ellice, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A collection will be taken up in aid of the World's Missionary fund. All W. C. T. U. workers are invited.

Lockup at Jedway

The contract for the erection of a three-cell lockup, office and jailer's room at Jedway, Queen Charlotte islands, has been signed. Some time ago the provincial government called for tenders but it was thought that those submitted were too high. It was found that the building could be erected locally at a much cheaper cost. J. P. Burgess, contractor of this city, will do the work. The building is to be completed May 30, 1908.

Accidental Death.

The coroner's verdict in the case of William B. Nivin, late of Montreal, who met his death in the New York subway, was that it was accidental. Mr. Nivin suffered from vertigo; in fact, was on his way to his doctor's when he fell from the train. It was reported at first that Mr. Nivin had committed suicide, but the evidence before the coroner's jury showed clearly that Mr. Nivin's fate was due to a sudden attack of dizziness.

Provision Made for All.

At the Canadian club luncheon to be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Empress hotel, provision will be made for 275 guests, and should the necessity arise there will be accommodation for about twenty-five others, so that it is expected that everyone will find a place. The luncheon will be held in the billiard room, and guests are requested to enter by the basement entrance at the north end of the hotel. The small room at the left will be used as a cloak room.

Will Sell Debentures.

The first issue of the water works debentures under the "Water Works Loan By-law, 1908," will be made in a short time. The city is now calling for tenders for $100,000 debentures, being part of the issue of $619,000 debentures which will be made for the purpose of going ahead with the water works system under the by-law passed at the recent civic elections. The debentures are of $1,000 each, with interest at 4 per cent, payable half yearly at the Bank of British North America, at Victoria, Montreal, London or New York. Tenders will be called for up to March 23.

Municipal Committee Meets

The municipal committee of the legislature met yesterday morning and considered two communications which had been received by the secretary. One was an application from the municipality of North Vancouver respecting some technical amendments in the Municipal Clauses' act. The other was from the city of Greenwood. A tunnel is projected between Greenwood and Phoenix and the promoters have asked a bonus from the former city. It is desired to grant this but a grant for such a purpose is not provided for in the act. They ask that the act be amended. Clauses amending the act accordingly will be introduced.

British Israel Class.

The members of the British Israel class are congratulating themselves on the accession to their ranks of G. W. Woollet of this city, who gave his first address on Tuesday night in the No. 1 hall, A. O. U. W. building, Yates street. His subject was "Anglo-Israel Teaching: What It Is." His handling of the promises to Abraham and David, with the handing on of the fulfillment of the same to the British Empire and the American people, was that of one long past his novitiate. Such was the verdict expressed in an unanimous vote of thanks accorded the venerable lecturer, the reapparance of whose name in future announcements will be a guarantee to an interested thinking public of an intellectual treat. After the lecture questions were put and answered with satisfaction to all. One of the members referred to several infidel and agnostic conversions resulting from honest study of this phase of prophetic truth, notably that of Reader Harris, K. C., promoter of the Penticostal league; another that of a brilliant mercantile sea captain, who made voluntary confession to the speaker that his views of the Bible were utterly revolutionized. Lord Roberts' testimony, as a convinced believer, was very interesting, as was also the statement made by the latter than an eminent K. C. in London, who at first deemed his lordship eligible for an asylum, a few years later confessed his willingness to stake his life upon its truth.

The Observer, of Cowansville, Que., has been purchased by W. U. Cotton, who will run it as an anti-Sydney Fisher paper.

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Should Call for Tenders.

Because the streets, bridges and sewers committee did not see fit to call for tenders for the supply of beach gravel which the city will require for the city streets, but instead recommended that the contract for the supply of such gravel be given to the Victoria Terminal Railway and Ferry company, Ald. Meston has given notice that at the next meeting of the city council he will move that the motion adopting the report of that committee passed at the last meeting of the city council, so far as it relates to the adoption of the recommendation accepting the tender of the railway company for the supplying of beach gravel, be reconsidered. Ald. Meston will also move that the recommendation of the report of the committee be not adopted, but that tenders be called for for the supplying of the gravel.

The committee's report was adopted at the last meeting of the council without being read. Ald. Meston believes that all supplies required by the city should be first tendered for by public tender, a course which was not followed in this instance. It is for this reason that he objects to the tender of the V. & S. railway being accepted before the public is given an opportunity of submitting tenders.

WILL REMAIN HERE

Present Manager of Grand Theatre Will Continue to Direct Local Theatre

The many friends of R. Jamieson, manager of the Grand theatre, who had been asked by his principals, Sullivan & Considine, of Seattle, to take the management of another of their houses, will be pleased to learn that he will remain in Victoria. Mr. Jamieson returned from Seattle Tuesday, after having had a consultation with his principals. It is the usual policy of the Sullivan-Considine management to change their managers around, but Mr. Jamieson succeeded in persuading them to allow him to remain in Victoria as manager of the Grand, a playhouse which he has brought to the greatest degree of prosperity and efficiency. He convinced his principals that their interests could be best conserved by his remaining in Victoria. Mr. Jamieson has been in Victoria for several years, and it was in no small measure due to his personal efforts that the Grand theatre has achieved such a success.

OBITUARY NOTICES

The death occurred yesterday morning of James Gordon, aged 10 years, son of T. Lowry, Powderly avenue, after an illness lasting only two days. The funeral will take place this morning at 9:45 o'clock to the Church of St. Maurice, Victoria West, where a requiem mass will be celebrated and the interment will be made at Ross Bay cemetery. The deceased was born in Halifax, N. S., but has lived in Victoria most of his life.

The death took place yesterday at the Royal Jubilee hospital of Annie Marie Adams, aged 51 years, wife of Thomas Adams. Deceased, who was born in Devonshire, England, was for many years a resident of Victoria and was known to a wide circle of friends who sincerely mourn her death. Latterly she and her husband have been residents of the Lake district. The body was taken to the undertaking rooms of the B. C. Funeral Furnishing company, Government street, where it will remain pending the funeral arrangements.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria meteorological office, February 19 to 26, 1908:

During the first four days of the week fair weather conditions were general over the North Pacific slope, the chief controlling factor being a high pressure area which had moved in from the ocean and was mainly central over the Pacific states. Temperatures were below the normal west of the Rockies and frosts at night occurred in many localities. Late in the week the pressure began to give way on the northern coast under the influence of an approaching disturbance from the ocean, this disturbance hovered on the coast of Vancouver island until the close of the week when indications appeared of its increasing energy. Several inches of snow fell at Barkerville and heavy rain on the Lower Mainland and this island. At Port Simpson rain fell every day and further north at Atlin and Dawson snow fell. In the Pacific states the rainfall has been heavy on the immediate coast from the straits of Fuca to California and light falls of snow have occurred in the higher plateau lands in eastern Oregon and Washington. East of the Rockies in the Prairie provinces the pressure has varied considerably; in the early part of the week low areas caused an increase in temperature in Alberta and Saskatchewan and at Calgary a decided Chinook occurred, but towards the close of the week the pressure had again increased and temperatures were falling rapidly under its influence. Light falls of snow occurred at scattered places.

At Victoria there were registered 35 hours and 54 minutes of bright sunshine; highest temperature 51.2 on 23rd, lowest 31.3 on 22nd, rain 1.10 inches.

At Vancouver—Highest 47 on 23rd; lowest 28 on 21st; rain .64 inch.

At New Westminster—Highest 52 on 21st, 22nd, lowest 28 on 20th, rain .66 inch.

At Kamloops—Highest 42 on 23rd, lowest 14 on 20th, 21st, 22nd, precipitation .22 inch.

At Barkerville—Highest 46 on 23rd, lowest 14 on 20th, precipitation .58 inch.

At Port Simpson—Highest 46 on 20th, lowest 28 on 25th, rain .60 inch.

At Atlin—Highest 38 on 21st, lowest 10 on 25th, precipitation .45 inch.

At Dawson—Highest 34 on 20th, 22nd, lowest —4 on 25th, precipitation .24 inch.

MAPLEHURST.

Mrs. David Murray, who at one time owned and run the cosy little tea and coffee rooms known as "The Palms," on Fort street, has secured a lease of "Maplehurst," 1937 Blanchard street, the beautiful home of the late Judge Walkem, which she is fitting up in the best style, to be run as a high-class boarding and lodging house. There can be no doubt as to the adaptability of these beautiful premises for this purpose, and with Mrs. Murray's well-known ability as a caterer to this class of trade the enterprise should prove an unqualified success.

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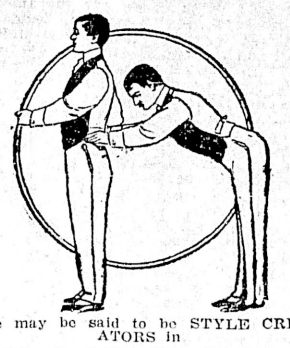

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THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., February 26, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.

The disturbance noted Tuesday night moved down the coast today and has extended inland to Cariboo and Kootenay; these conditions caused a fresh southerly gale on the straits and sound and storm warnings were displayed at all stations this morning. The gale became heavy on the outside waters where wind velocities were reported of 58 miles at Tatoosh and 60 miles at the mouth of the Columbia river; heavy rain fell in British Columbia, Oregon and Washington and snow fell at Barkerville and on the higher lands of Vancouver island. In the Prairie provinces the weather is warmer at Calgary but elsewhere the weather is colder, snow falling at Battleford while at Winnipeg the centre of a high pressure area the lowest temperature was 18 below and the highest only zero.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	40	46
Vancouver	40	47
New Westminster	42	46
Kamloops	32	46
Barkerville	18	40
Fort Simpson	34	42
Atlin	4	22
Dawson, Y. T.	— 4	16
Calgary, Alta.	20	52
Winnipeg, Man.	—18	zero
Portland, Ore.	44	50
San Francisco, Cal.	56	64

FORCASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a. m. (Pacific Time) Thursday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Moderate or fresh northerly and westerly winds, continued unsettled, with rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland: Southerly winds, stronger on straits, unsettled with rain or sleet.

WEDNESDAY.

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Mean	43

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Victoria, B. C., February, 1908.

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The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish High Water from Low Water.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot above the average level of the lowest Low Water in each month of the year. This level is half a foot lower than the Datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are reduced.

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REAL ESTATE BROKER LOSES HIS APPEAL

Appeal in Green vs. World Libel Suit Argued Before the Full Court

The full court yesterday handed down a judgment dismissing the appeal in Bridgman vs. Hepburn, a local real estate case. The chief justice read judgments written by himself and Mr. Justice Clement in favor of the dismissal, Judge Morrison reading a long dissenting judgment.

The last of the cases to be heard before the full court at its special sittings, that of Green vs. the World, was argued yesterday before a court consisting of the chief justice and Justices Irving and Morrison. The counsel in the case were Charles Wilson, K. C., and W. E. Burn for the plaintiff appellant and D. G. Macdonell and B. P. Wintemute for the defendant respondent.

In opening the case, Mr. Wilson stated that Sir Adolphe Caron, Sir Frederick Borden and other gentlemen formed the Transcontinental Exploration syndicate under a Dominion charter for the purpose of exploring and acquiring coal and mineral lands in British Columbia. Sir Adolphe, on behalf of the syndicate, made application for a number of coal licenses in the Telqua valley, but owing to certain irregularities these licenses were held up and were not finally granted till January 19, 1905. Hon. Robert F. Green, at that time chief commissioner of lands and works, wired January 18 to Sir Adolphe that the licenses would be issued the following day. On receipt of this, Sir Adolphe wrote a letter of thanks in which he asked Mr. Green if he would care to name a friend who would become a member of the syndicate. Mr. Green replied thanking him and mentioning the name of Neil F. McKay, to whom shares of a nominal value of $500 were afterwards allotted. Shortly afterwards similar licenses were applied for in the Pine river district, east of the Rockies, but these applications were refused because the Dominion government had a large grant of land in that section which had not been selected and it was thought inadvisable to grant any licenses which might later cause complications.

Early in December, 1906, Mr. Green resigned from the ministry and in the campaign for the general election which followed, the World newspaper of Vancouver published the alleged libel in its issue of January 23, 1907.

Reads the Article.

Counsel proceeded to read the article in question, which began with a scarehead saying that Green had been bribed by a payment of $37,000. The article was a long one, but it appeared that the World's story was that Mr. Green had been improperly induced to grant licenses in the Pine river district by the gift of stock in the company which had a share value of £1 18s each, a donation which was afterwards increased in consideration of the grant of the Telqua valley leases. The defendants pleaded justification, so that it was a plain issue of whether Mr. Green accepted a bribe or not. With regard to the amount mentioned, Sir Adolphe's evidence showed that the stock which McKay got had a nominal value of $500 only, with no market value whatever, nothing being known at that time as to the value of the coal lands staked. There was no truth in the assertion that the Pine river leases had been corruptly granted, as it was now an admitted fact that they had never been granted at all, and there was no evidence that the Telqua leases had been granted for a corrupt motive, as the licenses were issued before any suggestion of a transfer of stock was made, and once the licenses were issued the leases followed as a matter of right, provided the regulations were observed. As a matter of fact, Mr. Green had not received anything, as the evidence showed.

No Private Correspondence.

Turning to Sir Adolphe Caron's evidence, he showed that that gentleman had sworn that he had had no private correspondence whatever with Mr. Green until after the licenses were granted, and that instead of having received any special favors, those licenses had been held up for a considerable time on account of a technicality. Mr. Green had no shares in the syndicate and had never had any. They wanted someone in British Columbia apart from their solicitor who would be interested in the company and with whom they could correspond, and he had asked for the name of a friend of Mr. Green's, as he was not acquainted on the coast, and thought that the minister's recommendation would be a guarantee of responsibility and position. He had never written Mr. Green that the shares were worth £1 18s each, and in point of fact their value was merely nominal.

On the legal aspects of the case, Mr. Wilson contended that as the article was admittedly false so far as the Pine river story was concerned, his client was entitled to a verdict, as the defendants must prove all their allegations to be substantially true. He was not altogether satisfied with the trial judge's charge, but he had charged clearly on that point. The jury had disregarded their instructions and had rendered a perverse verdict, and he submitted he was entitled to a new trial.

Mr. Macdonell Replied.

Replying, Mr. Macdonell did not seriously traverse the facts as set forth by Mr. Wilson, but stated that the leases were illegally issued in that the proper form of application required by law had not been made. He stated that this was a political matter, a story printed at the height of a hot campaign, and so should be treated in a different way from an attack on a man in private life. The gravamen of the charge was that the plaintiff, while chief commissioner of lands and works, had accepted a bribe. If this were true, for the purposes of a libel suit, it was immaterial if all the facts were correctly stated, and he submitted that this had been proved, asserting that McKay merely held the stock as Green's trustee.

The bench did not seem to share the views on political libels advanced by counsel, the chief justice remarking that even a politician had some rights, Mr. Justice Morrison adding: "There is no closed season for libels."

Mr. Macdonell said that Green's own evidence showed that he considered the stock was meant as a present for himself, and continuing to minimize the occurrence, remarked: "In such cases we are dealing with the ordinary elector who puts his own valuation on what he sees in the papers during election time."

He cited a number of authorities in support of his legal position and submitted that at best the plaintiff was only entitled to nominal damages, in which case the court would not interfere.

After a brief reply by Mr. Wilson, the court adjourned, reserving its judgment.

TELLS OF LECTURES IN GREAT BRITAIN

Letter From Mr. Burrell Received by the Minister of Agriculture

A letter telling of the success which has attended the lectures upon British Columbia delivered by Martin Burrell in Great Britain has been received by Hon. R. G. Tatlow. The letter reads as follows:

London, Feb. 10, 1908.

The Hon. R. G. Tatlow, Victoria.

My Dear Captain Tatlow—By the time this reaches you I expect Mr. Palmer will already have given you some account of the progress with the lecture work. Judging by the interest aroused wherever the lectures have been given, and by the very cordial way in which they have been received, I think that it may be fairly claimed that the work has been of a successful kind and will inevitably result in a general desire to know more still about our province, and this, in addition to the good accomplished in deciding many to make a start out there this year.

At Bream and Monmouth, which were the first two lectures, the attendance was excellent, and the views of British Columbia were thoroughly appreciated. I was unfortunate enough at Hereford to strike the city at a time when people were much excited over a bye-election. In spite of this, however, we got an audience of between 300 and 400, which was good, considering that a political mass meeting was being held the same night.

I had a good audience in North Somerset, which is an excellent agricultural district, and from there went to lecture at Wye, in Kent, to the Southeastern Agricultural college, the biggest thing of its kind in England. A number of their late students are already in British Columbia and several more propose going.

On the fourth I lectured to the Scottish Horticultural society in Edinburgh, and had a large audience, who were keenly interested in the fruit-growing conditions with us, and here, as in other places, I got all sorts of questions propounded, and many staying behind to find out more about the country. From Edinburgh I went to St. Andrews to lecture under the auspices of the Victoria league, and though the audience was not a very large one it included a number of very influential people, who are in a position to assist in making the resources of the province known to many others.

On Friday last, the 7th, Mr. Turner kindly took the chair for me at the London institution, where I gave a lecture under the auspices of the London Chamber of Commerce, and from what I hear, the lecture, I think, was pretty satisfactory. The audience, anyway, was a representative one, and very appreciative of the beautiful views which we gave them.

Tomorrow I go to Bournemouth; next day to Reading, which is an important centre, and where we have the lecture well advertised. Then I go to Sheffield for Wednesday, and the following day in the southwest of London, winding up at Southampton on Friday.

I am making arrangements to sail next week and hope to be in British Columbia again about the middle of March, and shall be enabled to report to your more fully the result of the work then. I have the honor to remain, etc.

M. BURRELL.

DISREPUTABLE WOMEN GIVE POLICE TROUBLE

Three Cases in Court Yesterday and Another Is Set for Monday.

The women of the half world figured prominently in the police court yesterday morning. Dorothy Coleman was fined $50 for keeping a disorderly house at 623 Chatham street. One woman was fined $25 for being an inmate of the same place and a warrant was issued for the arrest of another inmate, who did not appear in answer to the summons.

The name of Estella Carroll was then called. She is again charged with keeping a disorderly house on Herald street. She appeared by her counsel, J. A. Aikman, who asked for a week's adjournment on the ground that he was too busy to go into the matter just now. Counsel stated that his instructions were to make a fight in the matter, as his client considered she was not being fairly treated. The authorities, by assuming to permit houses of prostitution in certain districts, had undertaken to semi-legalize the vice. If his client were not permitted to remain on the same terms as the other women, his instructions were to take steps to see that the other places of the same kind were closed, and he intimated that there were dire things in store for those in authority.

The chief of police opposed the remand. He was not impressed by the promised fight, but said that a line had been drawn where these places would be tolerated and that the women would not be permitted to open houses where they pleased.

Finally a remand was granted until Monday.

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ANOTHER DEAD HORSE.

PROMPT PAYMENT OF A JUST CLAIM.

To whom it may concern: On August 23, 1907, I took out a policy of insurance with the British-American Live Stock Association, Ltd., of Vancouver, B. C., on all my horses through their local representatives, THE COAST LOCATORS. On the 28th of January I lost one of them, insured for $150, proof of which was made to them on the 20th of February, and on the 24th I received their cheque for the full amount. I take this method of thanking them for their promptness in settling my claim, and recommend them and their company to all owners of stock. Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of February, A. D. 1908. (Signed) JAS. E. PAINTER.

GREAT PREPARATION FOR UNION CLUB BALL

Nothing Has Been Forgotten Which Will Make Tomorrow's Dance an Event

The president and members of the Union Club of British Columbia are giving a dance at their clubhouse tomorrow evening, and over four hundred guests have already accepted invitations to what promises to be a landmark in the social history of Victoria. This will be the first ball the Union club has ever given, and it is stated that only on one previous occasion has the fair sex been permitted to set its foot within its portals. To a reporter for the Colonist the Secretary kindly explained the preparations that have been made.

The committee in charge of the arrangements have made the most elaborate preparations for the event, and nothing which foresight and ingenuity could suggest has been overlooked to ensure a complete success. A marquee has been specially erected for the occasion 120 feet long by 27 feet wide, which is being profusely and artistically decorated with flags. Walls and ceiling have been completely draped with ensigns whose value aggregate several thousand dollars. The floor has been a special object of solicitude and the finished product will surpass any dancing floor used in Victoria for a number of years. It has a springiness which will add greatly to the enjoyment of the dancers.

Considerable planning has been necessary to solve the problem of accommodating so many guests without hitch. The dining-room only seats a hundred guests with comfort, but the committee has devised a plan by which everyone will be able to enjoy his supper without hurry or inconvenience. All will be comfortably seated if they act in conformity with the arrangements made for the convenience of the guests. To this end it will be wise for those who wish to take supper together to make up their supper parties before arriving. In this way they will be sure of going in to supper at the same time.

The bar will be closed and the billiard room converted into a buffet, which will be open all the evening. The billiard tables will be covered and utilized for this purpose, and the large reading room will be used as a card room for those who do not care to dance. The service of expert electricians have been freely utilized and the ballroom will be brilliantly illuminated. Electric gongs have been placed at different parts of the house so forgetful partners will have no excuse for cutting dances.

Among the special features of the evening will be a Highland piper, who will pipe the relays of guests to the supper room, and it is possible that a few shadow dances will be given. The music will be provided by Mrs. Thain's orchestra of fourteen pieces. Two portes cocheres are being erected, one on Courtenay street and one on Douglas street, so that two carriages can draw up at once to put down the visitors.

Among the guests who have accepted invitations to the dance are the lieutenant-governor and party, the premier and the officers of the army and navy stationed in and near Victoria.

COLLEGE OF FORESTRY TO PRESERVE TIMBER

Mayor of Revelstoke Makes Interesting Suggestion Regarding B. C. Timber

Charles F. Lindmark, mayor of Revelstoke, and managing director of the Revelstoke Saw Mills Company, while in Victoria on his way to Nanaimo to attend the British Columbia municipal union convention, which opened in that city yesterday, had some interesting remarks to make in regard to the condition of the lumber market in Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and the danger of forest depletion in this province. Mr. Lindmark was a guest at the Empress hotel while in the city.

Mr. Lindmark stated that the lumber market in the prairie provinces at the present time was in a very unsatisfactory condition, and its success depended upon the opening up of spring and the outlook of the crops. Mr. Lindmark has but recently returned from an extended trip to Europe, where he studied the methods pertaining to the preservation of the forests in Germany and Sweden. He states that under the present advanced methods of forest preservation in Sweden, even in spite of the large export trade from that country and the huge amount of lumber that is being cut annually, the timber resources are on the increase.

Mr. Lindmark gives it as his opinion that this phase of the lumber question that now confronts the people in this country is of the greatest importance, and that, if the present methods of slaughtering the timber resources without any effort to reforest continued, within a period of less than fifty years our timber resources will be seriously depleted. He says that some arrangements should be arranged between the government and the lumbermen whereby timber land that has been cut and that is not fit for agricultural purposes should be protected for reforestation.

Reciprocal arrangements between the dominion and provincial authorities would undoubtedly provide for a college of forestry in British Columbia with the end in view of training the most competent young men to be selected from the lumbermen's camps throughout the province. This college, said Mr. Lindmark, would afford these young men theoretical as well as a practical education, and would qualify them as foremen and scalers, and give them, at the same time, instruction in reforestration.

Two youths named Prince and Sergeant have been rescued from drowning at Broadstairs by a magnificent act of courage. They were caught by a high tide when fishing between Broadstairs and Stone Bay. Their rescue was effected by one of the lifeboat crew, named Bishop, who was lowered over the cliff sixty feet high. Bishop stood in the sea, which was up to his shoulders and secured the lads with a rope. All three were then hauled up to safety.

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In Woman's Realm

In devoting more space than formerly to the affairs of women, the Colonist is taking a step which it is hoped our lady friends will appreciate. Any communication from them of general interest will be welcome and carefully attended to.

HERE AND THERE

Collier's Weekly takes up the question of the inequality between the salaries of male and female teachers. It bases its remarks upon the fact that the legislature of New York is considering a bill to give men and women engaged in teaching equal pay for equal work. At present the principal of a school, if she is a woman may receive less than a man whose work she supervises.

New York is not the only place in which this injustice is felt. Although the government of British Columbia recognizes no difference between teachers, city school boards, as a rule, pay the men on their staffs far higher salaries than the women receive. In some cases young men, without experience are engaged at higher salaries than women of proved worth receive for doing work that is acknowledged to be equally important and difficult. This is felt as an injustice. The excuse that has been made for this is that if higher salaries were not given to the men they could not be induced to teach when there are so many avenues of employment open to them in which they could earn higher wages. This is a good argument for giving the men more, but a very bad one for giving the women less.

Very few people believe that it would be for the benefit of our children that their training should fall altogether into the hands of women, no matter how capable those women may be. But there is as little doubt, that where men and women do corresponding work, and do it equally well they should be paid equal salaries.

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The province of Nova Scotia has taken up the matter of technical education. An act establishing such schools was passed seven months ago, and already there are institutes at Halifax, New Glasgow and Sydney. A Technical college is to be established in Halifax, in which men can acquire a practical knowledge of mining and engineering in all their branches. There is, also, a department of scientific research.

An experiment which will be watched with great interest in this province is that of teaching coal mining. Three classes are established in all the colliery centres, and an instructor is appointed whose whole duty it is to teach coal mining and surveying. There are eighteen of these mining schools in operation. Nova Scotia has great mining and industrial possibilities, and her government is determined that the rising generation of the province shall be fully equipped to take advantage of them.

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How many of the readers of this column remember the linen shirtbosoms on which our grandmothers spent days of patient stitching? What a work of art that shirt was from the careful drawing of the thread to the finishing of the gusset! Happy was the woman who could fit the sturdy form of her lord and master to his satisfaction. Then the time and pains that had to be taken with the washing and ironing so that the bosoms should be immaculate.

What wife in these days troubles her head about her husband's shirts? The sewing machine and the steam laundry have taken from her both the trouble of making and of keeping them in order.

This is just an instance of the change that has been made in our homes by labor-saving devices in the last half century. It perhaps will not be unprofitable to spend a few moments in thinking of other advantages which the housewife of today possesses over one who lived and worked fifty years ago.

In our kitchens hot and cold water faucets save the exertion of carrying and lifting pails and make the labor of washing dishes and even clothes very much less while our system of sewerage carries away the water when it has done its work of cleansing.

The electric light does away with the labor of cleaning and filling lamps and the electric bell saves the steps of the mistress of the house. We communicate with our tradesman by telephone and if we are obliged to come to town the electric tram is ready to convey us to our destination, thus saving our strength and our time.

Our larders are supplied with a variety of the fruits of the earth which the railroad and steamboat have brought from all directions. It is true we must still sweep and dust and scrub but modern contrivances threaten to relieve us of the toil of housecleaning. In the great factories much of the clothing of our children can be made quite as daintily and very much more cheaply than we can make it at home.

What do we do with the time thus saved? or is it saved? We should have time to read and study and take rational amusement. Yet it is doubtful if we have more leisure than our mothers had. Our daughters receive a better education than we did. At least they spend more time at school and learn many more things. But is it not true that these very labor-saving devices have to be paid for and that in order to meet increased living expenses more girls enter the outside world of labor than was formerly the case. In spite of all contrivances of man the old edict must be obeyed which says: 'In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread."

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The government has decided that the children of the province shall have free schoolbooks. This is the practice in many of the states, but this province has been the first in Canada to adopt it. The government of the province can purchase the school books very much cheaper than the individual can, and thus a great deal will be saved. It must not be forgotten that the books will, under the new system, be paid for by the people as certainly as they were under the old. The only differences will be that by purchasing wholesale a larger number can be procured for the same sum and that those who have not, as well as those who have, children will contribute towards the school book fund. There is a consequence of the using of books in common that will not be of books in common that will not be displeasing to many parents, however it may affect the average teacher. Most of the study must be done in schools as the books cannot be carried home. For the little ones the doing away with "home lessons" will be an unmixed blessing. Just how it will work out in the case of older children is not so easy to say. The highest educational authorities have always contended that five hours of constant mental application was all that any child was capable of. The children spend five hours of the day in school but there are many of them who do not give five hours of continuous application to their work. The granting of free school books will have other effects than the saving of dollars.

WOMAN'S WORK

In spite of wind and rain a great number of ladies and some gentlemen attended the tea given by the ladies of the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at the Old Ladies' Home. As usual, where these ladies are concerned, the tables were loaded with all manner of good things, and a kindly welcome greeted all comers. Many of the old ladies were able to join their friends, and looked pleased and happy. Songs were sung by Miss Crocker, Miss Lamont and Miss McLane and Mr. D. R. Fraser gave a reading. The financial returns were very satisfactory, and the directors express themselves as pleased with the prospect of having before long a new home.

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This afternoon at 3 o'clock the regular parlor meeting of the W. C. T. U. will take place at the residence of Mrs. (Capt.) Grant, Point Ellice. This will be the Annual Frances Willard Memorial Day and a special offering will be taken for the World's Missionary fund. All interested are invited to attend.

LITTLE BOYS' SUITS

Small boys' clothing does not vary greatly in design from year to year. At the same time, certain styles will be more popular one season than another, and mothers who wish to see their youthful sons look smart and up to date are always on the alert for any changes of fashion.

The sailor and the Russian modes will surely never go out of style as long as there are little men to wear them, and the newest suits for spring and the coming summer show a combination of both designs. There are the full knickers as usual, and the blouse, falling loose at the bottom, Russian fashion, is topped by a sailor collar and shield.

For the boy just leaving off dresses, the conventional Russian or Buster Brown is by far the best model. There is nothing more trim and trig looking. In making the first suit—especially when the boy is extremely young—the blouse should be sufficiently long to just barely conceal the knickers when the wearer is standing quite straight. If the blouse is made shorter it takes away from the height, and often gives a ridiculous air to the child.

The rolling collar is a prettier finish to the first suit than the standing band, and the belt should be quite loose. The sleeves are full coat shape, tucked a little at the wrists, but not so much that they fit tightly.

The fronts formed to suggest a double box pleat will wear better than if made plain and will be more becoming whether the boy is plump or thin.

Such a suit is known as a Peter Pan Russian blouse suit, out of respect for the somewhat loose rolling collar, I fancy. The striped galateas with collar and belt of plain goods to match make smart-looking suits.

The same effects are seen in the conventional Russian blouse suit. The fronts in such cases suggest a plastron which is outlined with bands of the plain material. This, too, forms the band, collar and belt, all of which are trimmed with braid. This is a good model for a child of six or over and can be bought ready for wear at $2. The Peter Pan model will cost only $1.50.

The very pretty suit made up in the combination of Russian and sailor was of a good quality of English galatea with large collar of plain navy, red or light blue, braid trimmed, with emblem on shield and sleeve, and a plain band around the latter. The regulation black silk sailor handkerchief would be a smart finish. This suit may be bought for $2.75 for boys from three to eight years of age.

Another pretty new model is made on Russian lines, perfectly plain, closing down the left side. Then a "U" shaped yoke of white embroidered with an anchor or star is laid on and is outlined with two rows of braid set on an inch apart, both rows on the white. A strip of white, edged with the colored braid, defines the closing.

For quite small boys this is a pretty model, the touch of white about the face affording an agreeable relief. It is so simple, too, that any person who knows how to sew could copy it.

Emblems and devices are to be bought all ready for adding, so that a professional finish may be given the suits without much expense or trouble. If such a suit is bought in the store it will cost $1.98. Made at home it would be possible to get three suits for the same money.

As the boy gets a little older he adopts the regulation Peter Thompson sailor suit. The trousers may be long, bloomer or knee style, the blouse made to slip over the head and finished with a large sailor collar. A separate shield is worn.

A variation of sailor suit is the blouse finished in Russian design. At the neck, just a band collar and closing down the left side. It is very trim and neat looking, but not so smart as the regulation suit.

Suitable materials for wash suits are galatea, chambray, madras, batiste, poplin (white poplin is very smart), linen and duck crash. Galatea, madras and Oxford striped suitings will cost from 15 to 25 cents a yard in a medium quality, the linens coming higher.

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PERSONAL MENTION

The Colonist readers are asked to assist in making this personal column as complete as possible. Send or phone items to the city editor.

Mrs. Godfrey Booth and daughters leave by the Princess Victoria tonight en route for St. John, N. B., where they will embark on the Empress of Ireland for Liverpool. Remaining a few months in England, they will then go to the Continent for educational advantages.

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Mrs. D. C. Reid, who has been in the hospital for some time suffering from appendicitis, expects to return to her home at the end of the month.

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W. G. McMorris, business manager of the Nelson News, is in the city on a short visit.

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J. K. Rubbeck, consulting engineer of this city, has gone over to Vancouver on a short business trip.

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A. W. Vowell, Dominion superintendent of Indian affairs, arrived on Tuesday evening from the Fraser agency, where he has been paying an official visit.

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W. F. Archibald, of Nanaimo, is in the city visiting friends.

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J. Wilson, superintendent of C. P. R. telegraphs, of Vancouver, who has been making a short trip to the city, left this morning for his home.

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Charles Wilson, ex-attorney general, who has been in the city for the past day or two returned to Vancouver this morning on the Princess Victoria.

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Dr. Scharschmidt, superintendent of the White Pass & Yukon railway, left this morning on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver.

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H. Carbould left this morning on the Princess Victoria for New Westminster.

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M. Lenz, of Vancouver, formerly of this city, leaves today on a short business trip for Stockton, Cal.

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Frank Davey, son of Fred Davey, M. P. P., has left for a two months' trip to Nicola valley.

THE SHUT-IN SOCIETY

A valued correspondent sends the following article which as it may be of interest to some readers of this page in need of comfort, we take much pleasure in publishing:

One of the most interesting clubs in America and not much known here is the "Shut-in Society." It began its work in the following way: Two young girls, invalids, who to brighten each other's lives in their mutual trials wrote to each other. One chose these words from Gen. 7-16: "And the Lord shut him in." From that incident a work has started, and has broadened, and been the means of a help in cheering many that are sick and lonely. And that small effort made in 1877 for a mutual uplift has now members in great numbers, and each one's life is brightened by reading matter and fellowships of others in sympathy with them. The society has kept true to its original purpose, that of bringing comfort, spiritual and mental to those shut in from the outside world by prolonged physical suffering. The society was incorporated in the year 1885 and now has its headquarters in New York city. It publishes a monthly called the open window, bearing on its cover the quotation from Whittier: "The Windows of My Soul I Throw Wide Open to the Sun." As this magazine is taken by, or sent to each member of the society it serves as a strong bond of union, causing its widly scattered readers to realize their membership and common interest. The society numbered in 1906 about 1,400 invalid members and about half as many associates. The latter not invalids usually, but engaged in the work to bring cheer and comfort to the sick and lonely, such as writing to members or sending reading matter and visiting if near enough.

It is not intended as a charitable institution but rather to relieve the weariness of the sick room by letters or other tokens of remembrance to testify to the love and presence of Christ in the hours of suffering or privation. When a circle of king's daughters engage in our work we ask that the leader become an associate and be responsible to us for the work of her circle. The membership fee for an associate is one dollar per annum or for an invalid, fifty cents a year, which amount is excused if it cannot be afforded. Further information may be obtained by writing to Miss May Hamilton Hadly, secretary and treasurer, 355 Willow street, New Haven, Conn, U. S. A., or to Miss Victoria Lareau, Box 22 Henningsford, Quebec, Canada. The writer of the above article in "Onward," a Toronto paper, published by Wm. Briggs.

The contributor of the above quotation is in possession of a sample copy of the open window, and it is a beautiful little magazine, with many nice letters of cheer from some of the members and contributions of helpful poems. She also has a little pamphlet telling how the work of the Shut-in Society is done. Any readers of Women's Realm interested in such work started by two women might address their secretary, Miss Hadly as above mentioned.

His Punishment.

A prominent pastor visited a certain school one day where Bible instruction was part of the daily course, and in order to test the children's knowledge, asked some questions. One class of little girls looked particularly bright, and he asked the tallest one:

"What sin did Adam commit?"

"He ate forbidden fruit."

"Right. Who tempted Adam?"

"Eve."

"Not really Eve, but the serpent. And how was Adam punished?"

The girl hesitated and looked confused. Behind her sat a little 8-year-old, who raised his hand and said:

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"CENTRALS" ORGANIZE FOR COMING SEASON

Intermediate Lacrosse Club Elect Strong Slate of Officers

The "Centrals" are the first intermediate lacrosse team in the city to organize, and last night at a well attended meeting held in the rooms of the Y. M. C. A. the members of the club elected a strong slate of officers and determined to place the best team that they have yet had in the field during the coming season.

Many of the prospective players were present and the utmost harmony and enthusiasm was manifested throughout. Secretary Mason submitted the names of a long list of strong players who will be available to draw upon during the season, and it looks as though the "Centrals" would be very much in the running when they meet the other two teams that will compose the intermediate series.

Among the players that will be at the services of the club during the season are the following, and a glance at the names is sufficient proof that the team will be stronger than it has ever been before: Johnston, Stiles, Morris, Sweeney, Crawford, Cars, Petticrew, Roskamp, Dougal, Knox, Sargison, Mason, Grey, Redgrave, Young, Erb, Spencer, Johnston and McKitrick. Besides these there are a number of outsiders who have but recently taken up their residence in the city, who have stated their intention of playing with the "Centrals."

Among those present at last night's meeting were C. Mason in the chair, Crawford, Dougald, Petticrew, Carss, Mann, Redgrave, Keappock, Sweeney, Lorimer, Stiles, Erb, Morris, Nason and the only "Bob" Foster.

The meeting instructed the secretary to negotiate for the use of the Oak Bay grounds for three nights a week and for practice purposes with the stipulation that the practices start on March 15.

The following officers were elected:

Honorary president—J. A. Virtue.

Honorary vice-presidents — George Fraser, M. McCrawford and Bob Dewar.

President—Foster Macgurn.

Vice-president—A. McDonald.

Captain—C. Mason.

Vice-captain—D. Crawford.

Secretary-treasurer—W. Loat.

Executive committee—W. Sweeney, A. Sargison.

BIG LIST OF DELEGATES

Nearly All Sporting Organizations in This Province Will Send Representatives to Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—Practically every sporting organization in British Columbia has been asked to send representatives to the big amateur athletic meeting to be held at the Vancouver Athletic club on March 13. The committee in charge of the arrangements has decided upon the representation of clubs as follows:

V. A. C., two delegates; cricket clubs, one each; North Vancouver Athletic club, one; Y. M. C. A. league, two; Sixth Regiment A. C., one; North Vancouver Rowing club, one; B. C. Rugby Union, two; Maple Leaf Lacrosse club, one; MaGill University school, one; B. C. Football association, two; Vancouver Lacrosse club, one; Brocton Point A. A., one; James Bay Athletic association, two; New Westminster Lacrosse club, one; Columbian college, one; Rowing clubs, one; Intermediate Lacrosse clubs, one; National Sporting club, one; Hockey clubs, one; B. C. Swimming association, one; Lawn Tennis clubs, one; High school, one.

TEST GAME TO SELECT ALL-MAINLAND TEAM

Twenty Players Will Be Divided Into Two Teams and Best of These Chosen

Vancouver, Feb. 25.—A week from next Saturday the first of the inter-league soccer games between Vancouver Island and the Mainland will be played at Recreation Park. The Island team was announced some time ago, but the Mainland eleven will not be selected till next Tuesday evening, when a test game will be played at Recreation Park, at 6 o'clock between two elevens picked by the executive.

The selection of the team was considered at a meeting of the Vancouver District League last evening, and the test game was considered the easiest method of selecting a team. The executive will meet this week and will choose twenty players who will be divided into two teams. They will play a week from tonight at Recreation Park, and the committee will base its selection of the All-Mainland team from the work of the players in this trial match.

The return game will be played in Ladysmith on April 4. Secretary Will Ellis asked for and was given authority to arrange an exhibition game on the following day at Nanaimo if possible, in order to help out with the expense.

INTER-COLONIAL EMPIRE DAY RIFLE COMPETITION

Lively Interest Aroused in All Portions of Empire Over Contest on May 24

The Over-Seas edition of the Daily Mail has, with the assistance of several rifle clubs and associations in different parts of the world, inaugurated an Inter-Colonial Empire Day Rifle competition to be shot on May 24 and on succeeding Empire days.

The contest has aroused lively interest in all parts of the empire and already some eighty-five rifle associations have signified their intention of competing. Canada will be represented by no less than forty teams from all parts of the Dominion from British Columbia to Nova Scotia, while entries have also been made from Newfoundalnd, the Channel Islands, Ondia, Strait Settlements, British West Indies, Cape Colony, Natal, Rhodesia, Uganda, British Honduras, Australia and New Zealand. It is anticipated that before May 24 every section of the British empire will be represented. A fifty guinea challenge cup will be presented by the Over-Seas Daily Mail, Carmelite House, London, England.

Messages of approval of the scheme have been received from Field-Marshal Lord Roberts, Field-Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood, General Sir John French and Major-General Lord Cheylesmore. Lord Roberts has written as follows concerning the movement:

"Anything that tends to draw closer the ties that unite the colonies to each other and to the Mother-country should be encouraged, more especially a competition like this where the weapon is the one attainment of skill in the use of which by all good citizens will do much to strengthen the defences of the empire. I wish the competition all success and hope its scope may be enlarged year by year."

The conditions of the contest are as follows:

Ranges—200, 500 and 600 yards.

Rounds—The sighting shot at each range. Seven scoring shots.

Position—Any with head to target.

Team—Eight highest scores on day of the match to count as team.

VANCOUVER QUINTETTE WILL PERFORM HERE

Instructor Findley Negotiating to Have Vancouver Team Play Locals

It is probable that besides the big basketball game between the J. B. A. A. and the Y. M. C. A. teams to take place here at the latter end of next week, that the basketball lovers of this city will have an opportunity of again seeing the crack Vancouver Y. M. C. A. basketball team perform here before the season grows much older.

Physical Instructor Findley of the local Y. M. C. A. is at present negotiating with the management of the team in the Terminal city with the intention of having them play the Y. M. C. A. team here in the big athletic tournament that the association intend holding at the end of March.

This, of course, would be the star attraction on a bill of athletic numbers that promises to be as good as anything that has ben seen in Victoria in a long time and the appearance of the team that is recognized as the champions of the International league will be one of the biggest drawing cards that could possibly be given.

Mr. Findley states that he has been assured that the match between the champion Vancouver team and the locals will be a certainty and the management of the Vancouver Y. M. C. A. have practically given their consent to have the team that won the championship in the big league come over here.

If the teams do come together it will be the fastest basketball that the patrons of the game have yet seen in Victoria, as in the greatly improved form that the locals have shown since their return from their trip it is expected that they will be able to take the measure of the then champions. It is anticipated that the visitors will bring their full complement of players, being aware of the vast improvement displayed by the Victoria quintette and intending to take no chances of losing the game.

Yacht Club Committee Report

The detailed report of the building committee of the Victoria Yacht club will be received this evening at a special meeting of the club in the office of F. L. Neale, Fort street, at 8 p. m.

OLYMPIC FINALS IN MONTREAL ON JUNE 6

May 30 Will Be Lattest Date for Try-out Meets in Big Provincial Centres

Montreal, Feb. 26.—June 6 will be the probable date of the final set of games allotted to Montreal by the Canadian Olympic committee at its meeting, held in Ottawa on Saturday last. Of the two final sets of games which will be held in Toronto and the other in Montreal. The entries for the Olympic meet close in London on June 12, and the meet opens on July 13. It will be necessary, therefore, to fix dates for the final tests as early in June as possible, and although no decision has been made, it is probable that June 6 will be the date chosen for Montreal.

Not later than May 30 try-out meets for elimination purposes will be held at Halifax, St. John, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver. The meets at St. John and Halifax will be conducted by the M. P. A. A., an affiliated body of the C. A. A. U. The one here will be handled by the Federation, and in all the other cities of the C. A. A. U. In all cases the representatives of the Olympic committee will co-operate. The events for the finals at Montreal will be:

Running—100, 200, 400, 800 and 1,500 metres, flat; 110, and 400 metres, hurdles.

Jumping—Standing broad, standing high, running broad, running high, and hop, step and jump.

At Toronto will be decided the finals for the following events:

Steeplechase, 3,200 metres; five-mile run; 3,500 metres walk; 10 miles walk; Marathon race of 25 miles, and 600 yards; pole valut; hammer; shot-putting; discus; javelin; three miles team race, and relay medley race of 1,000 metres.

Dr. Barnard Hollander, lecturing before the British Phrenological society, gave it as his opinion that insanity can be cured by a surgical operation. He cited the case of a boy of sixteen who was liar, thief, and bully, and grew more dangerous as his age increased. Dr. Hollander proposed the removal of a strip of bone from the center line of the head down to the ears. The operation disclosed signs of an old hemorrhage on the membranes of the brain. This was surgically treated, and the boy is now normal in every way.

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AUSTRALIA DEFEATED ENGLAND IN FOURTH

Rubber and Final Cricket Test Match Won by Island Colony

Australia won the fourth test match against England by 308 runs, and with it the rubber—the best of five matches.

The aggregate attendance during the four days numbered 52,761, the takings amounting to $5,025.

Delightful weather favored the game. The feature of this test match was the batting of Armstrong of Australia, who carried his bat not out for 133. He hit two sixes and 14 fours. Armstrong has now scored a thousand runs in test matches.

Little need be said of the Englishmen's second innings. They wanted 495 runs to win, and made a disastrous start in the getting. Hobbs was caught for duck, Hardstaff was caught at the wicket after batting an hour for 39, which included three fours. Hutchings failed miserably with three runs. Braund was next to go, clean bowled, and Rhodes and Crawford were easily caught at the wicket. Then Jones and Gunn brought the score to 100 after two hours' batting.

Gunn, after showing great patience and strong defence, played on to his wicket. His innings lasted over 2½ hours. Jones played desperate rather than finished cricket, and made 31 runs in 45 minutes. Humphries was also caught at the wicket, and Fielder, the last man in, and a couple of blunders, prolonged the game.

Both Barnes and Fielder gave some trouble. However, at 1386 Fielder was bowled, and the match ended. The English second innings lasted 3 hours and 23 minutes.

AUSTRALIA.

First Innings—	
Noble b Crawford	48
Trumper c Crawford b Fielder	0
Hill b Barnes	7
McAllister c Jones b Fitlder	37
Gregory c Fielder b Crawford	10
Armstrong b Crawford	32
Ranford c Braund b Fielder	51
Carter c and b Crawford	2
Macartney c Hardstaff b Fielder	12
O'Connor c Fielder b Crawford	2
Saunders not out	1
Extras	12
Total	214
Second Innings—	
Noble b Crawford	10
Trumper b Crawford	0
Hill b Barnes run out	25
McAllister c Humphries b Fieldtr.	4
Gregory 1 b w b Fielder	29
Armstrong not out	133
Ranford c Humphries b Rhodes	54
Carter c Braund b Fielder	66
Macartney c Gunn b Crawford	29
O'Connor caught Humphries b Barnes	18
Saunders c Jones b Fielder	2
Extras	13
Total	385

ENGLAND.

First Innings—	
Hobbs b Noble	57
Gunn c and b Saunders	13
Hardstaff c Carter b O'Connor	8
K. L. Hutchings b Saundtrs	8
Braund run out	4
Rhodes c McAllister b Saunders	0
J. N. Crawford b Saunders	1
A. O. Jones b Noble	3
Barnes c O'Connor b Noble	3
Humphries not out	3
Fielder st Carter b Saunders	1
Extras	4
Total	105
Second Innings—	
Hobbs c and b Saunders	0
Gunn b Saunders	43
Hardstaff c Carter b Saunders	39
K. L. Hutchings b Noble	3
Braund b Macartney	10
Rhodes c Cartre b O'Connor	2
J. N. Crawford c Carter b O'Con-nor	0
A. O. Jones c Saunders b O'Connor	31
Barnes not out	22
Humphries c Carter b Saunders	11
Fielder b Armstrong	20
Extras	5
Total	186

THE AUTOMOBILE DISEASE

Gasoline Fumes Affect Throat and Lungs of Those Who Are Around Machines

New York, Feb. 25.—"The gasoline-driven automobile has added a new disease to the woes of civilization—a disease which may cut ten years on the lives of persons afflicted. I would call it 'automobile disease,' and have discovered that only in New York, in streets frequented by such motor cars, but in Paris, London and Berlin it also exists."

Dr. Henry Becker, a physician, made this statement last night after conducting tests for nearly a year on patients suffering from the new malady, which affects the tissues of the throat and lungs, causing congestion and decay and giving a working area for the bacilli of consumption, pneumonia, grippe and other affections peculiar to the respiratory organs.

"About a year ago," the doctor said "a man whom I later found to be a member of the traffic squad stationed at Fifth Avenue at a point where the gasoline fumes from the cars often choke him, came to me complaining of chronic sore throat. His case baffled me. Examinations showed it was no ordinary disease, and I conducted an investigation. I found that one week after the bluecoat had been transferred to a district not haunted by motor cars he got well.

"Other small cases came to my attention, and I communicated with physicians in European cities. The international investigation proved that my tentative theory was right.

"Some device should be used to absorb the fumes from these machines, as they endanger probably thousands of lives daily, especially of the traffic squad policemen."

Winnipegers Win at Portage.

Winnipeg, Feb. 26.—One thousand Winnipegers witnessed the hockey match between the Maple Leafs and Portage sevens at Portage LaPrairie tonight. The game resulted in a victory for the Maple Leafs by a score of 5 to 3.

Lawn Tennis Semi-finals.

New York, Feb. 26.—In the semi-finals of the national indoor lawn tennis championship today F. B. Alexander and H. H. Hackett defeated T. R. Pell and G. C. Wright, 6-2, 6-2; W. B. Cragin, Jr., and M. J. Chalock defeated C. Cragin and A. S. Cragin, 13-10, 5-7, 6-4. In the singles G. F. Touchard defeated O. M. Bostwick 6-4, 6-3.

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FRANK GOTCH SAYS WRESTLING IS DULL

The American Champion May Change From Mat to Ring After Big Match

The international wrestling championship will come off on May 6 at either Kansas City or Chicago. The contestants will be Frank Gotch, the American champion, and George Hackenschmidt, known as the "Russian Lion." W. W. Wittig of Milwaukee, is promoting the match and has offered a $10,000 purse. Gotch has posted his forfeit of $1,000 for appearance, but the Hackenschmidt end of the match is a bit slow in getting up their money. Hack agrees to come over to America and give four exhibition matches prior to his contest with Gotch, who is anxiously awaiting the day when he will meet the big foreigner on the mat. The match will be at catch-as-catch-can style, best two out of three falls to a finish. The referee is to be decided on later. Hackenschmidt has made many unreasonable demands of the American promoter, but Mr. Wittig has complied with every request, even going so far as to agree to put up the entire purse in an English bank.

"It seems strange to me," said Frank Gotch, "that the English people, who are continually boasting of their fair-play methods in sport, should give the Americans all the worst of it when they go over there, while it is just the reverse when they come to this country, they demanding their own way in every little detail. Take for instance the treatment accorded Tommy Burns at the National Sporting club. They would not even allow him to invite the American representatives of the press to see his contest with Gunner Moir. Now comes Hackenschmidt and his manager, C. B. Cochran, who demands all the best of the articles of agreement before "Hack" will ever start for America. This is a good example of what the English call fair play. The only place in the world you can get fair play is America."

Speaking of the wrestling game Mr. Gotch said that the sport was rather dull as far as getting on good matches for big purses. He has beaten every man in this country from one to three times, consequently the public has reached that point where they look upon a match between Gotch and any other man as a foregone conclusion. At Chicago 6,000 people turned out to see Gotch wrestle with War Eagle, the Indian, but the man of the plains lasted only a short time. The first fall was won by Gotch in 16 minutes and the deciding bout in seven minutes. Was Eagle weights 240 pounds, but was easy money for Gotch, who tips the beam at 214 pounds at present.

"What is your present condition?" Gotch was asked. He replied, "I am feeling better than ever before. I have been wrestling now for seven years and I believe that I am better each year. When I meet Hackenschmidt I will beat him sure. I have a pretty good line on the big fellow and know just about what he can do. Let me tell you there are some likely-looking big fellows being turned out in Europe. They are of good size and ability. These men will be heard from before long in this country and I will gladly welcome them to the States, as it will revive interest in the sport.

"What are your plans in regard entering the prize ring?" was another question that was put to Gotch in hopes of bringing out his future in case the wrestling business gets too dull.

"Well, here is just the way things stand at present," said he. "I am matched with Hackenschmidt and must keep on wrestling until our contest comes off. After that, if the game does not present opportunities, I will quit the mat for the ring, and like Jeffries, will never return to wrestling if I once give up my chosen profession. Tommy Ryan has been boxing with me lately, and he is anxious to have me turn my attention to pugilism. Tommy says that if I would adopt Jim Jeffries' style of fighting, I could soon demand a match for the championship. The rules as they are interpreted by the boxing clubs of today are just to my liking, and I am sure I can whip any of the big fellows who are now before the public. I am learning more about fighting every day, and I honestly believe that I could go in and make a success out of it. In regard to Tommy Burns, the heavyweight champion, I wish to say that I have great respect for the Canadian and pick him to beat Jack Johnson at close range, and by getting to the black man's body early in the struggle win out in a battle of 20 rounds or more."

MONTREALERS MAY COME

Secretary Will Ellis Invites Eastern Football Team to Compete for People's Shield

Montreal, Feb 25.—The secretaries of the various Soccer football clubs have been sent the following circular and invitation:

Vancouver District Association Football League,

" Vancouver, B. C.

"Dear Sir.—I am enclosing you a copy of the rules governing the People's Shield Tournament, to be held here in April next.

"It is proposed to have eight teams in the competition proper, the first round of which will be played on the 18th April in Vancouver, Victoria, New Westminster and Nanaimo; the reason for playing in these four cities is to make enough money to pay the expenses of the visiting teams; the semi-finals will be played in Vancouver on Tuesday, the 21st and Thursday the 23rd, and the final on Saturday, April 25th.

"As soon as the committee find out the number of visiting teams they will include enough coast teams to make up the required eight.

"Kindly notify me before March 7, if your champion team wishes to compete, also forward me the name and address of the secretary.

"Yours in sport,

"WILL ELLIS,

"Sec. People's Shield Committee, 1908."

Baseball Circuit Unchanged.

Tacoma, Feb. 26.— After four hours of discussion in George M. Shreeder's private office yesterday afternoon, the circuit committee of the Northwestern Baseball league, composed of Shreeder of Tacoma, Dugdale of Seattle, and Hall of Butte, decided to retain the same circuit as last year. It will include Seattle, Tacoma, Vancouver, Spokane, Butte and Aberdeen. In this meeting the schedule for the 1908 season was also practically agreed upon, as the members of the circuit committee also comprise the schedule committee.

Final Round Tonight.

Tonight the final round of the Fernwood Five Hundred tournament will be played off at their club rooms, Gladstone avenue. Altogether nearly forty players have participated in this tourney which has been most interesting, and a large attendance is looked for tonight. The struggle for the championship lies between T. Peden and B. A. Gallop. Peden up to last week holding a good lead. This tournament has proved so popular that a number of the players are asking that another be started at the conclusion of this present one, and tonight a short business meeting will be held at the close of the play to decide on this matter.

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IS THE VICTIM OF A GALE

Alaska-Bound Steamer Caught in Storm Off the West Coast of Island

The steamer Santa Clara was a victim of the storm yesterday, when she was forced to run back from the vicinity of the west coast of Vancouver island in a leaking condition, her pumps not working and the water gradually increasing in her hold. She had six feet of water in her when she reached Port Townsend at 11 o'clock yesterday morning.

The Santa Clara was bound from Seattle to southeastern Alaskan ports with general cargo and a few passengers, and was caught soon after passing out of the straits in the severe gale which prevailed yesterday morning. She was considerably buffetted and was found to be in a leaking condition. When the bilge pumps refused to work, there was consternation, as the water was increasing quickly. Her master decided to run at full speed for the sound, and when he reached Port Townsend the steamer had six feet of water in her hold.

The cargo will be discharged at Seattle and the vessel surveyed and repaired. The Santa Clara is a wooden steamer of 1,535 tons gross, 1,208 tons net, owned by the Northwestern Commercial company of Seattle, and was built at Everett, Wash., in 1900. She is 223 feet long, 38 feet beam and 24 feet deep.

Some excitement was occasioned with regard to the steamer about three weeks ago owing to the finding of a nameboard marked "Santa Clara" in gilt letters on a blackboard which had drifted ashore on the west coast of ancouver island and was found by the coast patrol between Cloose and Carmanah point. The vessel, however, was then at Seattle.

The Santa Clara's misfortune yesterday was similar to the predicament the new Strath liner Strathlyon of Glasgow found herself recently, news of which has been received in mails from England. The Strathlyon had an exciting race to prevent foundering, and reached Falmouth with little time to spare. She was 300 miles distant from the Lizard in the Atlantic when she was reported leaking, and Capt. Birch found that the pumps were choked. He decided to steam at full speed for the nearest available port, and reached Falmouth with 14 feet of water in the No. 1 hold and the bow deep in the water. The Strathlyon is a new steamer and was on her second trip. She took fire soon after reaching port and was further damaged.

MONTEAGLE EXPECTED AT WHARF TODAY

To Be Freed From Quarantine—Asiatics Will Be Detained for Eighteen Days

The steamer Monteagle, which was detained in quarantine owing to one of the firemen being found afflicted with smallpox, will probably be released today, and will arrive at the outer dock to discharge 430 tons of general freight for this port. The fifty saloon passengers will be freed with the steamer. The mails were brought in by the steamer Otter after fumigation, and that for Victoria was distributed yesterday. The Asiatic members of the crew and the steerage passengers, including 218 Hindus, 17 Chinese and a few Japanese, will be detained at the quarantine station for the full period of eighteen days.

The Hindus are all booked for Vancouver, and when they are released about two weeks hence, it is expected that a fight will be made with regard to their right to enter the Dominion. The Vancouver Province says:

"If Dr. Monro does decide on deportations under the order his decision will probably be attacked on the ground that as these men are British subjects coming direct from a British possession they have a perfect right to enter Canada. This is case No. 1, which may go to the courts.

"In the event of Dr. Monro passing some of the Hindus, or the courts declaring that those he detains have a right to enter the country, the provincial Natal Act educational test will be tried on them. If they declare their intention of remaining in British Columbia and they cannot read or write some language of Europe to the satisfaction of the examining officers they will be held for deportation under the Natal Act.

"Then will follow a fight against the act which last week was declared by Chief Justice Hunter to be inoperative as against the Japanese, which decision was upheld yesterday afternoon in Victoria by the Full court. In the case of the Hindus, argument against the act would not be side-

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Shipping Intelligence

Special to Colonist

Tatoosh, 8 a. m. — Storm warning — Southwest storm warnings are displayed. Moderate disturbance is being caused over British Columbia, moving slowly east, which will cause increased southwest winds, becoming high tonight.

Tatoosh, 8 a. m.—Rain, wind south 55 miles an hour. Out, ship Star of England during the night.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy wind southwest 48 miles an hour. Outside bound in, a ship and a bark.

Tatoosh, 4 p. m.—In, bark Emily F. Whitney, 16 days from San Francisco for Seattle, at 1.15. Bark Fresno, 18 days from San Francisco for Port Gamble, towing, at 11.50 a. m. Ship Segura, 36 days from Salina Cruz for Tacoma at 12.20 p. m.

Neah Bay—Ship Star of England has returned, and is anchored here for shelter.

Tatoosh, 6 p. m.—Cloudy, wind west, 12 miles an hour. Inward, steamer Catania three days from San Francisco for Seattle at 6 p. m.

Neah Bay, 6 p. m.—Anchored, ship Star of England; United States revenue cutters Thetis and McCulloch.

By Wireless

Tatoosh, 9 a. m.—Light rain, thick, wind south, 55 miles. Bar. 29.53. Temperature, 48.

Pachena, 9 a. m.—Raining, wind southwest.

Tatoosh, 11.30 a. m.—Cloudy, wind southwest, 48 miles. Bar. 29.62. Temperature, 44. Steamer Maverick passed in 10 a. m. Three-masted bark outward bound, passed out.

Pachena, 11.30 a. m.—Cloudy, clearing, wind west. Three-masted ship, sailing, passed in at 10.30 a. m.

Tatoosh, 5.30 p. m.—Weather cloudy, wind west 24 miles an hour. Bar., 29.61. Temperature, 42. Passed in, bark Fresno, from San Francisco, at 11.50 a. m.; ship Segura, from Salina Cruz, at 12.30 p. m.; bark Emily F. Whitney, from San Francisco, at 1.15 p. m.; schooner Okanagan, 13 days from San Francisco, for Port Gamble, at 3.15 p. m.; steamer Catania, San Francisco for Seattle, at 5 p. m.

Neah Bay, 5.30 p. m.—Anchored, ship Star of England.

Estevan, 5.30 p. m.—Cloudy, wind west, rough sea; no shipping.

Pachena, 5.30 p. m.—Rain, wind southwest; no shipping.

By Government Wire

Carmanah, 9 a. m.—Strong southwest wind, rain, sea rough. Bar. 29.55.

Cape Beale, 9 a. m.—Westerly wind, rain, sea moderate.

Carmanah, 1 p. m.—Strong south wind, heavy rain, squally, rough sea. Bar., 29.50. Loaded ship in, and a bark sighted.

Cape Beale, 1 p. m.—Strong southwest wind, squally, heavy sea.

Carmanah, 6 p. m.—Fresh southwest wind, cloudy, sea moderate. Bar., 29.55.

Cape Beale, 6 p. m.—West wind, squally, heavy sea.

tracked by any foreign treaty switch, but would have to stand on the straight issue as to whether it was ultra vires of the powers of the provincial legislature.

"It had been deemed a possibility that as clause F of the Natal Act (which provided that nothing in the act should apply to those immigrants whose entry into Canada was governed by federal statute), had been struck out that an attempt might be made to hold the Chinese on board the Monteagle to examination under the act. While it would be possible to examine the Chinese as the act now reads, the provincial government has issued orders that they are not to be examined as the Ottawa government has made provision for their entry."

BRINGS MILLIONS OF FIRECRACKERS

Ningchow Has Big Shipment of Noise-Makers for Forthcoming Holidays

The steamer Ningchow, which is discharging general cargo from the United Kingdom and the Orient and loading outward freight at the ocean dock, is expected to leave at noon, today for Vancouver. The Blue Funnel liner carried as part of her cargo from China one of the largest shipments of firecrackers ever brought from the Orient, 40,000 cases having been shipped from China manufacers for the July 4 holiday.

These firecrackers came from Hongkong, but they are manufactured in the interior of China, principally at Canton, Hongkong being the shipping port for the smaller Chinese towns.

The crackers are being shipped overland to Chicago, New York, San Francisco, and 1,800 cases to Portland alone. While importations of firecrackers are always heavy at this time of year, in preparation for the Fourth of July, it is not often that so large a shipment is received at one time.

While the thoughts of the Fourth may bring up sentiments of patriotism to the citizens of the republic, some facts in connection with this shipment might open the eyes of "patriots." In the first place, the crackers were brought in from a foreign country in a British steamer. Uncle Sam is so patriotic that he imposes a tariff of 8 cents a pound, gross weight, which amounts to about 125 per cent. duty ad valorem. Consequently about $20,000 in duty will be paid on this consignment.

UNLAWFUL PRIVILEGE GIVEN U. S. SHIPPING

Permits to Carry Canadian Bonded Goods for Yukon is Breach of Law

The privilege of carrying Canadian goods in bond destined to the Yukon and Canadian territory via Skagway in competition with Canadian steamers which is given to United States shipping by the Ottawa government, while no reciprocal privilege is given Canadian steamers which are compelled to adhere strictly to the coasting regulations of the United States, is arousing considerable adverse comment, and the question has been taken up with the government at Ottawa by the Pacific Marine Review, which in its next issue will publish correspondence with the Ottawa department in that regard. The Review will say the correspondence raises an interesting point, viz., whether goods, consigned from points of origin within the Canadian Yukon, that is to say, within the Dominion, upon through bills of lading and carried in vessels of United States from Vancouver to Skagway in the Territory of Alaska, and thence in transitu in bond over the Dominion boundary, is a breach of an act respecting the Coasting Trade of Canada, Chap. 7, 2 Edward VII, Sec. 3, to-wit as follows:

"No goods or passengers shall be carried by water, from one port of Canada to another, except in British ships; and if any goods or passengers are so carried, as aforesaid, contrary to this act, the master of the ship or vessel so carrying them shall incur a penalty of four hundred dollars; and any goods so carried shall be forfeited, as smuggled; and such ship or vessel may be detained by the collector of customs, at any port or place to which such goods or passengers are brought, until such penalty is paid, or security for the payment thereof given to his satisfaction, and until such goods are delivered up to him, to be dealt with as goods forfeited under the provisions of the Customs Act."

In the interest of our Canadian subscribers and actuated only by the same simple principle, spirit and motive which would prompt us in a similar cause of conflict to protect and defend any unlawful or undue interference by Canadian vessels in the coasting trades of the United States, we refer this point to the many prominent and experienced attorneys and members of the bar whom we reach in the Dominion of Canada, inviting an expression of opinion herein from some of its members.

In submitting this case for their opinion, a brief marked with no retainer beyond a proper sense of public duty, we direct their special attention to the words "carried by water," asking whether such condition provides an escape in the strict letter if not in the spirit of the law.

A letter to the minister of justice at Ottawa and his reply to the editor of the Pacific Marine Review will also be published, as follows:

The Hon. Minister of Justice, Ottawa, Canada:

Sir: We have the honor to respectfully direct your attention to the attached clipping from the Pacific Marine Review, and which we note has been republished in certain Vancouver and Victoria daily papers has aroused much interest and discussion, we do, therefore, ask your department for a ruling herein, to-wit:

No. 1. Whether the conveyance of cargo in vessels of United States upon through bills of lading, between British Columbia ports and ports in the Canadian Yukon, via Skagway and White Pass and Yukon railway route, is not a breach of the Canadian coasting laws?

No. 2. Whether such service and practice depends for authority upon an order in council past in or about the year 1897-1898 to 1899?

No. 3 If such order in council is not "ultra vires" and therefore unlawful, inasmuch as the Canadian statutes appear only to authorize the governor general in council granting Canadian coasting privileges to vessels of nations who grant equal coasting privileges to Canadian vessels.

Please note that we do not submit these interrogations in any idle spirit of curosity or controversy, but for our instruction and in the interest of our subscribers throughout the Dominion of Canada, wherein the Pacific Marine Review is in considerable and responsible circulation.

We should with equal persistency and promptness resent any attempt of Canadian vessels to unlawfully engage in the coasting trades of the United States.

John McDougald, commissioner of customs at Ottawa, replied to the editor of the Review as follows:

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., which has been transferred to this department from the department of justice, on the subject of United States vessels carrying cargo between British Columbia ports and Yukon ports via Skagway and White Pass.

In reply I enclose a copy of an act respecting the coasting trade of Canada, proclaimed as in force October 5th, 1902. Vide section 3, which provides that "no goods shall be carried by water from one port of Canada to another, except in British ships."

The carrying of goods by United States vessels from Vancouver to Skagway would not appear to be a carrying of goods from one port of Canada to another since the settlement of the Alaska-Yukon boundary. I do not desire, however, to engage in controversy on this subject, as there is no change as yet in the regulations for the shipment of goods from British Columbia ports to the Yukon via Skagway and White Pass.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

JOHN McDOUGAL,
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EDITH R. BALCOM LANDS HER PELTS

Victoria-Owned Sealing Vessel Arrives at Montevideo With 500 Skins

Advices have been received here that the sealing schooner Edith R. Balcom, owned by Capt. S. Balcom, manager of the Pacific Whaling company of this city, has arrived at Montevideo to land 500 sealskins taken on the hunting grounds off the Uruguayan coast and Cape Horn. The catches being made by the Cape Horn sealers this year are lower than during the past few seasons. The Pescawha, which put into Montevideo recently to land her skins, and was then ordered to proceed to Victoria from the hunting grounds, had 700 skins.

CAMOSUN BACK FROM PRINCE RUPERT TRIP

Union Company's Steamer Made Fast Run Inaugurating New Weekly Service

The steamer Camosun, of the Union Steamship company, returned yesterday from her first trip under the new weekly schedule which has been inaugurated by the company, allowing the traveler to leave here Wednesday night and return within a week after spending Sunday at Prince Rupert. The Camosun reached Vancouver on Tuesday night, where some of her passengers were debarked, after which she proceeded to Victoria, arriving yesterday afternoon.

Last night at 9 p. m. the Camosun sailed again for Prince Rupert, from where passengers and freight for points beyond will be transferred to one of the smaller steamers, the Coquitlam or Capilano which connect with the Camosun at the northern port.

From Prince Rupert and way ports the Camosun brought about fifty passengers, among them being J. H. Bacon, harbor engineer at Prince Rupert for the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway company; D. H. Hays, president of the B. C. Tie & Timber company, one of the subsidiary companies of the G. T. P., and W. B. Stevenson, manager of the same company. There was a fair complement of passengers on the northern trip. With the arrival of the company's new steamer Cariboo, which is to leave Scotland shortly for this port, the schedule will be altered so that there will be sailings twice each week.

The steamer Vadso, which left Porter's wharf at 9 p. m. last night with a fair freight and several passengers, resumed the weekly sailings to Port Simpson and the northern British Columbia ports of call of the Boscowitz Steamship company's steamers. The Vadso has been thoroughly overhauled and was in first-class condition when she left port last night. The steamer Venture, which has also been overhauled, is scheduled to sail on Wednesday next for the north.

MYSTERY OF THE MISSING WHISKEY

Finding of Three Cases of Wet Goods Causes Commotion on Loudon Hill.

The finding of three cases of whisky, one in the bo'sun's room and two in the half deck-house of the British ship Loudon Hill, which is discharging cargo at the ocean dock, has occasioned a waterfront mystery which is puzzling the amateur Sherlock Holmes of the wharves. Since the Loudon Hill rolled her way south through the Atlantic storms, the disappearance of some highly seasoned old Scotch liqueur which had been consigned to Victoria merchants, with intent that it be dispensed over the bars of Victoria, has been a matter that has puzzled the officers of the ship. The discharge of the cargo showed in all eleven cases were missing from the Victoria consignment, and the Vancouver shipments have not yet been taken out.

The disappearance of three more cases was what occasioned an investigation on the part of Capt. Locke, the new master. The longshoremen discharging the cargo counted the cases, once, twice, three times, and each time the result was the same. There were in all fourteen cases missing, three more than was lost as a result of the broaching on the high seas. The longshoremen indignantly denied any knowledge of the missing whisky. The sailors of the Loudon Hill denied all knowledge of it.

Suddenly Capt. Locke was called by the second mate. A case of whisky was found by the boatswain in his room and the "bo'sun" was making indignant inquiries seeking to find out who had put the case of whisky in his room. Later two more cases were found in the half deck-house, where the ordinary seamen and apprentices are housed. Occupants of the place joined the inquirers. How had the whisky managed to get to their rooms? The mystery deepened.

Ship officers, stevedores, longshoremen and others have since been playing detective, but no discoveries have been made. However, the three cases have been placed with the remainder in the warehouse and Capt. Locke's anxiety to unearth the mystery of how they reached the places where they were discovered is not so keen as it was before they were found.

The steamer Topaz, formerly a torpedo boat, sold from Esquimalt by the admiralty and remodelled for towing purposes, is being offered for sale at Vancouver for $12,000.

Vancouver newspapers state that one of the passengers of the steamer Princess Beatrice for the north was robbed of $400 there before the steamer sailed, being held up on the wharf when going on board.

Percy Gallagher, the C. P. R. train conductor who attempted suicide by jumping from the steamer Umatilla, was found to be insane on arrival at Vancouver and was committed to the asylum at New Westminster.

MOVEMENT OF VESSELS

Steamers to Arrive.

From the Orient.

Vessel.	From.	Due.
Kumeric		Mar. 13
Empress of Japan		Mar. 1
Empress of China		Mar. 30
From Australia.		
Moana		Mar. 12
Marama		April 9
Aorangi		May 7
Manuka		June 4
From Mexico.		
Georgia		Feb. 27
From Liverpool.		
Antilochus		Jan. 4
Teucer		Feb. 2
From Skagway.		
Princess Beatrice		Mar. 2
Northern British Columbia ports.		
Queen City		Mar. 11
Amur		Feb. 29
From West Coast.		
Tees		Feb. 27
From San Francisco.		
City of Puebla		Mar. 1
Umatilla		Mar. 8

Sailing Vessels.

Left.	Date.
W. F. Babcock, Newcastle	———
Jas. Neswith, Newcastle	Dec. 28
Alta	Newcastle
Clan Galbraith, Santa Rosalia	———
Kynance, Liverpool	———
Haddon Hall, Liverpool	———

Steamers to Sail.

For the Orient.

Line.	Date
Tosa Maru	Mar. 3
Monteagle	Mar. 5
For Australia.	
Aorangi	Feb. 28
For Mexico.	
Georgia	Mar. 1
For Skagway.	
Princess May	Mar. 6
For Northern British Columbia Ports	
Amur	Mar 1
Vadso	Mar. 4
Queen City	Mar. 5
For West Coast.	
Tees C. P. R.	Mar 1
For San Francisco.	
Umatilla	Feb. 29
City of Puebla	Mar. 7
Umatilla	Mar. 14

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Princess Royal.

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Leaves Seattle 11:30 p. m. daily, except Monday.
Arrives Seattle 2:30 p. m. daily, except Monday.
Arrives Victoria 7 a. m. daily, except Tuesday.

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Leaves Victoria daily 8:30 p. m
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Joan

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Leaves Vancouver 1.30 p.m. daily except Sunday.

Victoria-Nanaimo.

Nanaimo-Comox-Union—(E. & N. Ry.)

City of Nanaimo.

Leaves Victoria Tuesday 7 a. m. Arrives Nanaimo Tuesday 4 p. m.
Leaves Nanaimo Saturday 2 p. m. Arrives Victoria Saturday, 9 p. m.
Leaves Nanaimo Wednesday, 7 a. m.
Arrives Union Bay and Comox Wednesday 2 p. m.
Leaves Union Bay and Comox Thursday, 7 a. m.
Arrives Nanaimo Thursday, 2 p. m.
Leaves Nanaimo Friday, 7 a. m.
Arrives Union Bay and Comox Friday, 2 p. m.
Leaves Union Bay and Comox Saturday, 7 a. m.
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The Overdue Market.

Castle Rock, Sydney, September 24, for Portland, 156 days out, 92 per cent.

Blanche, San Francisco, September 25, for Sharpness, 156 days out, 20 per cent.

British ship Kylemore, out 69 days from Cape Town, for Adelaide, 25 per cent

Dutch bark Geertruida Gerarda, out 157 days from Port Talbot, for Mejillones, 55 per cent.

French bark Cambronne, out 157 days from Newcastle on Tyne, for Valparaiso, 15 per cent.

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"Notre Dame D'Arvor."

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The lifesaving tug Snohomish, being built at Wilmington, Del., for the lifesaving station of the United States government at Neah Bay, will be launched on March 14.

The price of halibut having dropped from 4 and 4½ cents per pound to 1½ cents at Seattle, the fishing schooners Teckla, with 20,000 pounds, and Shamrock and Annie M. Nixon, each with 40,000 pounds, are refusing to sell their catches, holding for an advance. The gasoline boats which fish off the Alaskan coast and ship their catches south by the regular steamers, are expected to return to the Sound shortly to refit for the spring cruise off Cape Flattery.

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C. E. CARTWRIGHT,
Chief Engineer.
Vancouver, B. C., February 19, 1908.

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HOUSE PROCEEDS WITH ESTIMATES

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look upon it as a fixture, would not be a wise course to pursue for some time. It so happens that when the government opens an office in any place it is easily taken for granted that a townsite and a local centre of administration has been fixed at that particular place, and in consequence a good deal of harm is done. (Hear, hear.) I may say, however, that we are quite alive to the necessity of the situation in the northern country and I do hope that in the next few months we will be able to fix definitely upon the site for an office in that part of British Columbia for the transaction of the business to which my hon. friend has referred. And although nothing appears in the estimates for this purpose, I feel quite convinced that the arrangements can be made within a reasonably brief period. (Applause.)

Mr. Yorston urged the appointment of a clerk at Quesnel Forks.

Hon. Mr. McBride: In a great measure that is a departmental detail, but I can promise my hon. friend that if he can demonstrate that the public will be better served in these matters by the placing of a clerk at Quesnel Forks than at 150-Mile House, arrangements to that end will be made in due course.

Mr. Yorston: The real difficulty will be to get a suitable man in this section.

Hon. Mr. McBride: I will be very pleased to take the matter up with my hon. friend at the very earliest convenient moment.

Statistical Bureau

On the vote of $110 per month for the clerk in the Statistical bureau, Mr. Hayward (Cowichan) said that this gentleman occupied a rather anomalous position. The work of this department having increased very much the government had added to the staff a clerk who eventually was obliged to do a great deal of extra work, and he wished to point out to the house, and in particular to the ministry, that this gentleman's literary work was extremely good, being of such a high character that he had been paid for such service $150 a month by the C. P. R. company.

He now had practically charge of this department, and, instead of $110, should receive $125 a month. Some of this government's literary work, plates and all, had been pirated in the Busy Man's magazine.

Objects to Vote.

G. R. Naden, Greenwood, objected to vote No. 68, $300 in aid of a resident physician in the South Okanagan, and on the ground that this section of the country was well settled, moved that the vote be struck out.

Hon. Mr. McBride: From my personal knowledge of the district this gentleman is called upon to do a very large amount of practice for which he receives not one cent in the way of remuneration. (Hear, hear.) The country is very sparsely settled and he has done splendid work among the settlers. I find no fault with the honorable gentleman for criticizing the vote, but I am satisfied from the information that has reached the provincial secretary that unfavorable criticism is in this case altogether undeserved. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Hawthornthwaite protested against anything which might be considered unfair criticisms of the services rendered by members of the medical profession in country districts, and urged the government to take special pains in seeing that assistance was given in locating physicians where they were required, for the needs of many sections in this province were in this respect very great.

The house adjourned at 5:40 o'clock.

After Recess

Mr. Brewster (Alberni) called attention to the vote for $375 in aid of the resident physician at Cape Scott on the east coast. While the mission boat had been doing very excellent work in the straits it had not yet reached the East coast.

Hon. Dr. Young replied that so soon as a much larger steamer was provided—which was in contemplation—it was the intention to go out into rougher waters.

Hospital Grants

On vote 90, $15,000, in aid of the Royal Jubilee hospital of this city, in answer to Dr. G. A. B. Hall (Nelson) and Parker Williams (Newcastle), Hon. Dr. Young said: The Royal Jubilee hospital is getting the same amount which is granted to the hospitals in the other two cities, Vancouver and New Westminster. Beyond all doubt this hospital is doing magnificent work here, but at the same time we must remember that while the hospitals in the coast cities are situated in the richest parts of the province, the majority of the hospitals in this country are for the most part treating indigent cases and get no pay for these services. (Hear, hear.) And while in Victoria, in Vancouver and in the larger institutions, a class of patients which are well able to pay for hospital work are being treated, this is not the case in the other parts of this province, and I think that the government has, as it certainly should do, dealt very generously indeed with the institutions which I have named. (Hear, hear.)

In answer to Mr. Oliver.

Hon. Dr. Young: The sum of $25,000 is asked for the hospital at Vernon, but $5,000 of this amount is to go to the hospital at Kelowna, which is now being built and which will cost between $12,000 and $15,000.

Mr. Henderson: If a portion of the vote goes to Kelowna why does this appear to the credit of Vernon?

Hon. Dr. Young: Simply because it is practically a branch of the Vernon hospital. The latter will deal with surgical cases, etc., while the former will be a cottage hospital, which will be largely used for the accommodation of convalescents.

Dr. Hall: There are places in the interior with twice Vernon's population, and yet they get no assistance.

Hon. Dr. Young: I can tell the hon. gentleman that if the citizens of Nelson will come forward with $25,000 for the establishment of such an institution they will receive very liberal treatment from this government. (Applause.)

Some discussion followed, in the course of which the advantageous position of Vernon in the matter of health conditions came in for high praise.

Hon. Dr. Young remarked that while British Columbia was beyond all question a remarkably healthy province, nevertheless every hospital in the country was at the present time overcrowded. But hon. members could rest assured that all places which in this relation displayed the same public spirit which had been shown at Vernon, would receive very ample and generous treatment from the government. (Applause.)

Dr. Hall: If the people of Nelson subscribe a certain sum for this purpose will the government grant an equal amount?

Hon. Dr. Young: In the circumstances I can only say that you will receive from us generous treatment. (Hear, hear.)

Says Government Should Aid

Mr. Macdonald (Rossland): Are we to understand that if other communities show the same public spirit they will have generous treatment. It is well known to those who live in the upper country that a large proportion of the larger communities there have built their own hospitals. In Rossland, a town of several thousand people, almost wholly made up of miners, who live constantly in the midst of dangers to life and limb and health, not a single dollar, as far as I know, has been granted by the government towards the erection of an hospital. The population consists almost entirely of workingmen, and we find that almost every case of serious accident, due frequently to explosions, is of very necessity sent to Spokane, in order to get the requisite treatment. And what is true of Rossland is also true of Nelson, Greenwood, Grand Forks, Cranbrook and Fernie, and yet the hon. gentleman seems to imply that these places have not shown the same public spirit which has been displayed by Vernon. I think it is the duty of the government to provide hospitals in these communities for the treatment of those who are either injured in limb or in health, and then it would not become necessary to send patients not only to other parts, but outside of the province.

In my opinion it is high time for the government to take up the whole question of providing hospital accommodation in other sections of the province.

Hon. Dr. Young: Mr. Chairman, I have no intention whatever of casting any reflection on the efforts which have been made by the people of British Columbia, no matter where they may live or what they may have done towards providing themselves with hospitals. The honorable gentleman will find that the people in my own constituency, Atlin, with from 3,000 to 5,000 inhabitants and almost purely a mining camp, have built for themselves a hospital without any assistance from the government; so Rossland is not alone in that particular; nor do the people in any other part of the province lack the hearty co-operation of the medical fraternity. At the same time, the policy favored by my honorable friend might have a ruinous effect if it were adopted without any qualification. Certainly no government in the world, or at all events in Canada, has paid more per capita towards these institutions than the government and people of the province of British Columbia. (Hear, hear.) We have been most generous in that respect, while in comparison we will find that the amounts which are voted for these purposes in the other provinces are infinitesimal, apart from what is raised by private enterprise. The majority of the hospitals are endowed from private sources, and the time is coming, I am sure, when our richest cities will follow that example; but in the meantime we are really doing very well indeed. (Applause.) Last year we voted $14,000 on per capita account alone, in addition to granting $6,000 towards hospital building and $15,000 to New Westminster, while this year we are giving $15,000 to the Royal Jubilee hospital, and are besides making this donation to Vernon. I repeat that the government not only will be, but will be very glad to co-operate with the people in any part of the province in such conditions as those to which the honorable gentleman has referred. (Applause.)

Amounts Granted

In further reply to Mr. Oliver, Hon. Dr. Young: The total vote asked for Vernon is $25,000. The hospitals in Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster have each received $35,000, in addition to the per capita grant. Since 1895 we have contributed to the support of hospitals through the per capita grant $270,000. (Applause.)

Mr. Macdonald: Three hospitals should be established in West and Southern Kootenay, and at the Boundary, for in these sections accidents of a very serious character are of frequent occurrence. At present such cases have to be sent either to other parts or out of the province for treatment.

Hon. Dr. Young: My knowledge of hospital conditions in British Columbia is of an entirely different character, for I know medical men in the interior who are perfectly competent to take charge of any case of accident that may occur, and some of them are now upon the floor of this house. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Macdonald: I am not reflecting upon the medical men of this province, who after all, unless they have proper appliances for hospital treatment, are quite unable wherever they may be to cope adequately with such conditions, and particularly with injuries to the eyes.

Hon. Dr. Young: That does not affect my statement one bit, for not one man in 100 devotes himself to the treatment of eye cases, and it does not at all follow that because in a large hospital a specialist may be found in every branch of the profession as in Ontario and in Quebec that in respect to any other accident than accidents to the eyes, the medical men here are not quite able to furnish the treatment which may be required. (Applause.)

Mr. Macdonald: At least one eye specialist should be kept for the treatment of such cases.

The vote was carried.

For the Sanitarium

On vote 92, grant to tuberculosis sanitarium, $10,000, Mr. Macdonald favored large and substantial contributions for this end.

Mr. Williams: Let this vote be placed on the same basis as the votes which are destined for Richmond. (Laughter.) The vote was carried.

Administration of Justice.

When the votes for the administration of justice other than salaries was reached, John Oliver took exception to the vote of $4,000 for sheriffs' allowances being put through until the house was given more information as to their revenue from other sources.

The member for Nanaimo also had a protest. He thought the amount, $97,000, under this heading which, with the amount contributed by the Do-Dominion, would bring the total up to $200,000, was altogether too large. But $382,000 was expended upon education. He thought the former vote should be cut down. It largely went to persons whose only business seemed to be to flaunt this legislature and to dress themselves up in "monkey clothes."

For Education.

In reply to John Oliver, when the votes to education were reached, Hon. Dr. Young stated that the $4,000 for the education of the deaf, dumb and blind was expended in travelling allowances and tuition fees. They were sent to the Mackay institute, Montreal.

The votes for public works brought out a few comments. Dr. Young informed the house that the new hospital for the insane, for which a vote of $60,000 is provided, would be erected at Coquitlam. John Oliver sighed when the vote for the Vancouver court house was read out. It calls for the expenditure of an additional $100,000. Hon. F. J. Fulton informed him that the total expenditure upon the court house would be about $559,000. But one-half of this would be realized from the sale of the old building.

That it is the intention of the government to build schools wherever they are necessary, was the information supplied by the minister for education when the vote of $74,000 for school buildings was under consideration.

In reply to the member for Delta, Hon. Dr. Young stated when the committee reached the vote of $40,000 for a provincial normal school at Vancouver, that the government had under consideration the erection of a normal school in Victoria. To Dr. Hall he stated that he was of the conviction that the next normal school from the proportion of population, should be placed in the interior. (Applause from members from interior.)

J. H. Hawthornthwaite asked if the lieutenant-governor broke $4,500 worth of furniture every year when the votes for Government House were reached, and he moved that the salary of the gardener at that institution be increased by $15 a month. His motion was ruled out of order.

H. C. Brewster made yet another protest when the votes for roads, streets, bridges and wharves was reached. The amount for Alberni, $10,450, was altogether too small. The item passed.

J. A. Macdonald contrasted the money expended in the two neighboring constituencies of Fernie and Cranbrook. The former received $22,950, while the latter only obtained $5,000. What made the difference in the needs.

Vote for Greenwood

The vote for Greenwood was the stumbling block. Mr. Naden held that $7,000 for it as compared with $28,000 for Similkameen was grossly unfair. He then brought up the question of the bridge across the Kettle river, which, he said, should have been built in Greenwood. The member for Similkameen after the location had been decided upon by the government engineer had had it changed to its present position in his constituency. This was not right.

Mr. Shatford stated that Similkameen was twenty times as large as Greenwood, yet their appropriation was only five times as large. It was only in the last two or three years that the former had begun to receive fair treatment. It had not been given the railway or dyking subsidies of Delta and other places

Mr. Naden returned to the question of the bridge. He had asked for a return of all the correspondence in the matter. It had been brought down and he asked the clerk to produce this.

Mr. McPhillips took a point of order. The discussion about this bridge already built had nothing to do with the money to be voted for roads.

Around the bridge question a wordy battle was engendered. John Oliver was heard, J. A. Macdonald and many other Liberals joined in it and finally upon the chairman giving his decision Mr. Naden appealed to the speaker.

The latter sustained the chair. But nearly an hour an a half had in the meantime been consumed.

Mr. Williams Protests.

When the vote for Newcastle came up for consideration, Mr. Williams again took exception to its size. He complained bitterly that his constituency was being punished because it had elected a Socialist. He asked in what manner it could get redress.

Hon. Richard McBride in answer disclaimed the charge that the government was influenced by political considerations in drafting its estimates. It was guided solely by the needs of the districts and the amount of money in sight. The member for Newcastle would always find the chief commissioner and the members of the government approachable and ready to lend a willing ear to anything he had to put forward.

Mr. Williams asked what evidence he would have to produce that the vote was insufficient. It was all very well to be told to come and see the government when he wanted more. Now was the time to settle the vote. The premier was very cordial always in receiving him and it was never until he was over the Summit and almost home that he had realized after previous visits that he had been "buncoed."

He wanted a straight admission of the premier as to whether he thought the vote was or was not sufficient.

Premier McBride stated that he thought it was not sufficient, but that Newcastle was better off than many other districts.

On the Liberal members showing a disposition to renew the controversy and on the assurance of J. A. Macdonald that the next vote, that for Okanagan, would not go unchallenged, the house adjourned at 12:35 a. m.

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Many Tough Characters Are Rounded Up in Search for Hold-Up Men

The search after the two hold-up men whose daring robbery of the Gorge hotel and shooting of Richard Dancey on Tuesday night has been the topic of interest throughout the city was continued all day yesterday and late last night. While the efforts of the local and provincial police have not, so far as is apparent at present, resulted in the apprehension of the perpetrators of the outrage, no effort is being spared to locate the guilty parties. The attorney-general's department, with commendable promptitude, has offered a reward of $1,000 for information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the two criminals. The B. C. Electric company has also offered a reward of $250.

Yesterday's search was not without developments, some of an amusing nature. Late Tuesday evening every step was taken by the police to apprehend the two bandits. On yesterday morning's trains constables were sent out on the E. & N. and also on the V. & S., while the country for miles around was visited and all road-houses and localities where the robbers might possibly have taken to hiding were visited.

Discover Robber's Mask.

The net result of the man-hunt was the discovery of the mask worn by one of the robbers at the time of the hold-up and the arrest on the E. & N. line by Constable Fry, who was detailed to go in that direction, of an individual named Gibson, whose suspicious conduct was sufficient to induce the constable to take him in charge.

As the E. & N. train was pulling out from the city yesterday morning and had got about a mile beyond the Esquimalt station it was flagged by Gibson. When the train stopped, Gibson, who was about to board it, acted in a curious manner. At first he started to board the train. Then he apparently decided not to do so, but finally he got on. During the first part of his trip he appeared nervous and his actions were such as to attract the attention of Constable Fry, who, after watching the man for an hour or two, decided to arrest him. This was done, Gibson making no effort to explain his actions other than to assert that he knew of no reason why he should have been taken into custody. He had bought a ticket to Duncans, and when the train arrived at that station the constable alighted with his prisoner and waited until the return train, when Gibson was brought into the city. On being searched, the prisoner was found to have several dollars in small change upon his person, and his story told to the police was not considered satisfactory enough to warrant his being given his liberty.

Fled Towards Esquimalt.

Early yesterday morning one of the workmen at the pottery located in the direction of Esquimalt and between that place and the Gorge, while on his way to work, discovered lying on the car tracks in the hollow just west of the Gorge what is apparently one of the masks worn at the time of the robbery. The mask was merely a handkerchief with holes cut for the eyes and had apparently been thrown away by one of the robbers in his flight from the Gorge hotel. This reminder of Tuesday night's crime is now in the hands of the provincial police but while it gives a clue to the direction in which the two men fled it affords little help in the search for the fugitives.

Youth Was Armed.

Yesterday afternoon a youth who gave his name as Reginald Hunt, but who failed to satisfactorily explain why he registered last Sunday at the Dominion hotel as A. N. McCarthy, was arrested. On his person, when searched, was a bull-dog revolver, 32-caliber, fully loaded. He will be held on a charge of carrying concealed weapons and also with being a vagrant. Hunt, or McCarty, whichever is his name, stated that he came from Winnipeg, but of late has been on the coast. He was little more than a boy and when questioned did his best to appear calm and at his ease. He prattled along about the good time which he had just had in Seattle, of the fact that he had spent $17 on his spree in the sound city, and ended by earnestly begging his captors not to read several letters which were taken from him "because, you know, they are from a girl in Winnipeg to whom I am engaged."

In addition to the above about half a dozen men who failed to give a satisfactory account of themselves, or how they maintained themselves here, were taken in charge and examined. Some were allowed to go with the warning to get out of the city and the others are being held on suspicion.

Countryside Searched.

While the railroads and the boats were being watched parties of police spent yesterday scouring the country. In this work the local constables were joined by W. Ashton, the Australian detective who is here attempting to secure the extradition of the Italian Loschiavo.

Constables Harper, Heather and Detective Ashton yesterday morning drove out as far as Goldstream and rounded up all the intervening road houses with the result that at Coldwood they apprehended an individual known to the police as an undesirable character. He was taken in charge and locked up.

No effort is being spared by the police, both local and provincial, to secure the arrest of the two robbers. No outlet is being unguarded and while there is very little to work upon, as the description given of the two men by Mrs. Marshall and Mr. Dancey is practically of no assistance, the police are determined to run down the hold-up men.

After arriving at the hospital on Tuesday night Dancey, who recognized Superintendent Hussey when the latter approached him, was sufficiently recovered to be able to state that he did not know the two men nor was he able to give any description of them. Owing to his condition no attempt was made to question him. Yesterday afternoon Sergeant Murray again visited the hospital but the injured man could give no information of value to the police.

Dancey Doing Well.

Late last night Dancey was resting easily and Dr. Frank Hall, who is attending him, stated that in a day or two an effort would be made to locate the bullet by means of the X-rays. It is hoped that Mr. Dancey's strong constitution will prevent any complications, though it is admitted that his injuries are very serious.

With great promptitude the attorney-general's department has acted in the matter. Yesterday morning a reward of $1,000 was offered for information which would lead to the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators of Tuesday night's robbery and attempted murder, and $500 for the arrest and conviction of either one of the criminals. In addition to this the B. C. Electric company is offering a reward of $250.

MUSIC AND DRAMA

Arion Club Concert

An evening full of pleasure to a large and fashionable audience was furnished at the Victoria theatre yesterday evening on the occasion of the Arion Club's second concert of the sixteenth season, and incidentally, the position of Miss Winifred Lugrin amongst the vocalists of the Northwest was fixed. That this position is one in the very front rank was the unanimous opinion of all present on the conclusion of the concert last evening. Miss Lugrin's selections elicited such demonstrative enthusiasm, and her success, consequently is such a notable one in the annals of concerts dependent chiefly on local talent as to demand, in all fairness, prompt recognition at the hands of the critics of the press.

The club was also most ably assisted by Kacthe Pleczonka, of Tacoma, violincellist, and Miss Miles, A. R. C. M., pianist, and Mr. E. Howard Russell, B .A., the honorary conductor, with customary efficiency, bore the brunt of the real "work" of the evening with his characteristic ease.

In its opening number, "Lutzow's Wild Chase," the club was not heard at its best, but in most of the ensuing efforts displayed an efficiency which was highly creditable, and on the whole it can be said that the evening's achievement was not below the high standard set in a long list of previous successes. Obvious weaknesses, however, were noticeable in several selections—inaccurate shading, rugged attack and a disposition to hurry to the fortissimo passages.

In the second of two Cavalier songs, "Give a Rouse," Osgood's "Folk Song" and "Home Sweet Home," the club has seldom been heard to better advantage, and the audience was not slow to show its unbounded appreciation. In these selections the capacity of the club to interpret with faithfulness those themes requiring delicacy of treatment in shading and harmony was made pleasingly manifest.

Miss Lugrin's first number was Meyerbeer's "Roberto, O tu che adoro," and its rendition proved little short of a revelation of the singer's conspicuous ability in the requisites to the successful vocalist. Possessing a stage presence which would be envied by many a star in the operatic firmament, and a grace and charm of manner which at once wins the hearts of her auditors. She has a voice which reflects careful training, and she has more—she has Soul. There is a liquid musicalness about her notes which is quite fascinating, and when to this is added strength and compass, one realizes that one is listening to one who can sing. In this number there was just the proper degree of "abandon" in evidence to show that the spirit of the theme was felt. She was loudly encored, and in response sang most charmingly "An Irish Mother's Lullaby." In her rendition of Andrew's "Oh, For a Day in Spring," Miss Lugrin simply captivated the audience. She responded to two encores and numerous curtain calls.

In De Koven's "Serenade" Miss Lugrin took the soprano solo, and Mr. M. C. Reynard, the tenor. The latter was not at his best. The number, on the whole, however, proved eminently pleasing. C. A. G.

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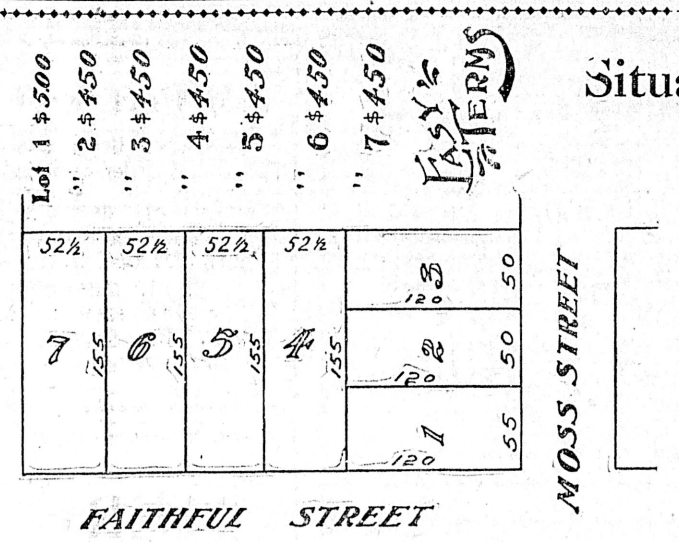

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HOTEL SIDNEY—Only seventeen miles from Victoria. One of the most attractive resorts on Vancouver Island; good roads; fine boating; two-mile beach; view unsurpassed. Hotel rates $1.50 and $2.00 per day. William Jenson, Proprietor.

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LOST—Caine to Covent Gardens, St. Charles St., a Gordon Setter Dog, well bred. Phone 890. f25

LOST—Brown Spaniel dog with small splash of white on chest. Finder rewarded by giving information to Box 945, this office j25

STRAYED—Two cows, branded E. B on right hip, right ear split, one red with ends of horns cut off, one half Jersey, half holstein, black and white, last seen at Glen lake. Party seeing same please tie up. Notify H. Edwards, Millstream, care D. Campbell. J14

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FOR SALE—Best boarding house proposition in the city. Small amount of capital required. Address 207 Colonist. feb 9

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EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—54 Fort St. Good places; good wages to competent servants.

JAPANESE EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—All kinds of Japanese labor. 1601 Government St., Phone 1630. J30

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Rae St., Victoria, B. C.

WANTED—Daily Work by Competent Needlewoman. Children's garments a specialty.

POSITION required by experienced English house parlor maid, where cook is kept. (City.)

POSITION required by competent housekeeper to invalid or elderly couple, or bachelor's residence.

LADY HELP seeks position in or near Duncan; housework, no cooking; no children.

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AN ENGLISH governess requires daily tuition or care of children or invalid afternoons.

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Employers and parties wanting help of any kind; also parties looking for employment of any kind, ring up phone 1698, James Green Agency, Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Port Essington.

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STRAWBERRY PLANTS FOR SALE—Finest Magoon plants. Apply: F. F. Barett, Mount. Tolmie P.O., or orders left with F. C. Niven, 1510 Belcher Ave., phone A329, will receive prompt attention. f27

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Pandora Avenue, Friday, 28th, at 8 p.m., Tremayne Dunstan's Lecture on New Zealand. Magnificent limelight views. 25 cents. f27

FOR SALE CHEAP—English holly, 100 fine bushy plants, three feet high. Apply Box 438, Colonist. f25

TO RENT—Gordon Head, 10 acres, 3 acres cultivated. 4,000 strawberry plants, small house, outbuildings, well etc. $15 per month. For further particulars apply B. C. Land and Investment Agency, Ltd., 992 Government street. f27

PRUNING and Spraying done; contract or day work. J. Cook, Beaumont P.O. Phone B804, Esquimalt f26

FOR SALE—Magoon Strawberry Plants. McAnally, P.O., Mount Tolmie. f26

TO HOUSEHOLDERS AND OTHERS—Working builder will contract to build your house, barn or bungalow, and give you sterling value for money; houses from $500; comfortable shacks $150; also estimate for drainage, concrete work, plumbing, gas and electric lighting, decorating, and all branches of building work; no job too small; low charges; satisfaction guaranteed; write me your requirements. P.O. Box 265, Victoria. f25

LET IT SHINE! Acme Metal Polish is the most briliant polish and most easy used, will stay longer bright, best adapted for all metal work on autos. Ask your druggist, 25c. f23

TO RENT—Dining Room doing a first-class business in good hotel in the city. Apply: P.O. Box 598, Victoria. f23

TO LET—Ground floor space of 150x25 feet concrete floor; suitable part for office and storing room, in Promis Block, facing Langley St. Apply 45 Government. f22

UNFURNISHED front room with board. Suitable for elderly lady. 1198 Yates St. f18

FRENCH DRESSMAKING — Mesdames Vital have opened a French Dressmaking Establishment at 1348 Grant St., Having had several years experience in the best Paris houses, they can guarantee perfect fit and style at moderate charges. Apprentices wanted. f18

FOR SALE—Old manure. Jas. Richards, cor. Queen's Ave, Cook street. f18

FOR CONCRETE WORK, tiling, chimney building, cement work, foundations. Prices reasonable. 1621 Blanchard St. f12

CABINET MAKERS and boat builders can get the kind of lumber needed in their businesses promptly and at reasonable prices from B. F. Graham Lumber Co., Ltd., mills and yards Garbally road, Victoria Arm, Victoria, B. C. Tel 864. f12

JAPANESE lily and iris bulbs for sale at Japanese store, 1404 Government St., corner Johnson St. f11

COTTON RAGS wanted at The Colonist job department. J23

WILL LEASE 5¾ acres good land, good house, outbuildings, full bearing orchard, lots of small fruits, 1½ miles from city limits and car. Apply Newcomb, Pipe Line Road, near Pumping Station.

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FOR SALE—Large gasoline launch, suitable for hunting, fishing, or towing. 25 feet long, 10 h.p. engine, a bargain. Apply, Caretaker, J. B. A. A. Clubhouse, Belleville street. (a31

FOR SALE—Auxiliary Yacht "Ariadne" lately overhauled, with full equipment. Apply Crease & Crease, 17 Fort Street, Victoria, B. C. Aug17

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FOR SALE—SECONDHAND

FOR SALE—Some new up-to-date Buggies, second-hand Delivery Waggons, and a few good Horses; also two fresh calved Cows, and one yoke of Oxen. Apply: 642 Discovery Street—I. J. J. Fisher. f23

FOR SALE—A Heintzman & Co. Piano in excellent condition; a good bargain. 372, Colonist. f21

FOR SALE — Farm Wagon, Spring Wagon and Mowing Machine, etc. Yew Tree Farm, Millstream. f20

DRESS SUIT for sale, latest style, quite new; a bargain. Box 302, Colonist. f15

WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

WANTED—General servant for small family, must be good cook. Apply Mrs. H. T. Hughes, Work Point Barracks. f27

WANTED—An experienced nurse. Apply Oak Bay Hotel. f26

WANTED—Motherly woman to help in house—comfortable home. 112 South Turner St. f27

WANTED—Young woman as mother's help. Apply 1134 Yates St. f26

WANTED—A waitress. Apply Victoria hotel at once. f26

WANTED—Girl or woman for general housework. 912 Caledonia Ave. f26

WANTED—Young Girl to assist in house keeping, must sleep at home. 145 Government Street. f26

LADIES WANTED at Dresscutting School, to learn cutting. D. F. Sprinkling. Laurence Anderson, Instructor. We cut patterns to measure. f25

WANTED—A good nurse girl for two children. 26 Dallas Road. f20

WANTED—Lady that thoroughly understands general work in real estate office. Will pay good salary to right party. Address Colonist office, 322. f16

WANTED—MALE HELP

WANTED—Man and wife to work on small fruit and vegetable farm. State experience and wages expected. Address Room No. 4, Clarence Hotel, corner Douglas and Yates streets. f26

WANTED—Apprentice to Drug Business. P.O. Box 509. f26

WANTED—Boys, at the British American Paint Co., Belleville St. f25

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WANTED—Local agent for the Western Canada Fire Insurance Company, Limited. (Non-Tarriff) apply to D. H. Rice, General Agent for B. C., 132 Hastings St., East, Vancouver, B. C. f19

WANTED—Choirmaster for Metropolitan Methodist Church. Applications must be in by 29th February to J. H. Baker, 1417 Fernwood Road.

GOOD PAY—Men wanted everywhere to tack signs, distribute circulars, samples, etc. No canvassing. National Dist. Bureau, Chicago, Ill.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE

WANTED—Widow, experienced, wishes working housekeeper's position. 465 Colonist. f26

GOVERNESS or Help, for a few months, country preferred. Address: Colonist Box 461. f26

WANTED—Woman wants House Work by day, experienced. 449, Colonist. f26

LADIES' TAILORING and Dressmaking done by the day. Apply: Box 457, Colonist f26

EXPERIENCED CHILD'S NURSE seeks position. Apply: Box 430, Colonist f25

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MATERNITY NURSE, certificated, disengaged; trained London, England. Miss Irving, 428 Cook Street. Phone B1582. f23

STENOGRAPHER and Typewriter wishes employment; young lady. Mr. Suttle, 1045 Yates Street. f23

WANTED—Care of invalid, or situation as housekeeper, or useful companion. Apply, F. H., Oak Lodge, Colquitz. f20

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

BOOKBINDING—Advertiser, aged 36, running own business (16 hands) as Bookbinder and Printer for last ten years seeks post in B.C. Good all-round bookbinder with knowledge of print. A. L. Noake, Exeter, England. f27

WANTED—Situation as Coachman, experienced; good references. B. D., Beaumont P.O. f25

WANTED—Painting by day or job. Box 338, Colonist. f18

CAPABLE GARDENER requires situation; good references. Apply Box 325, Colonist. f16

WANTED—Situation as butler; experienced and best references. 285 Colonist. f14

WANTED—Educated young man wants work, experienced office man and salesman. Excellent references. If you need a hustler, faithful, intelligent and not afraid of work, please write to 254, Colonist. f12

ROOM AND BOARD

FURNISHED ROOM with board. 1017 Bellot St. f26

SUPERIOR accommodation with good board. Apply 59 Menzies St., near Niagara St. f23

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TO LET—Room and board; 1621 Quadra St. Bath room, electric light, Phone A-920. f21

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TO LET—Furnished rooms and board Piano and phone, Bellevne, Quebec St., third house from Parliament buildings

TO LET—RESIDENCES

TO LET—New bungalow, Niagara St., close to park, seven rooms, modern; will be ready for occupancy March. Apply D. C. Reid, care National Finance Co., Ltd., 1206 Government St. Phone 1363. f26

TO RENT—"Devon Cottage," furnished, Esquimalt Road. Apply: J. Day, Phone 140 f26

FOR RENT—"Gibralter," Esquimalt Harbor, 25 acres, several acres cleared, 6-roomed house, barn and outbuildings. Telephone 211. f23

TO LET—We have had placed in our hands a beautiful new modern house which will be leased to an approved tenant. It has 5 bedrooms, living room 15x24, hall 18x18, dining-room 16x20, kitchen and basement; heated with hot air, and has ample grounds. Further particulars on application. Heisterman Co., 1207 Government St. J30

TO RENT—Furnished, for one year or less, one of the finest homes in Victoria. Families without young children preferred. Apply The B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., Government street, Victoria. Ja21

FOR SALE—PROPERTY

EXTRA BARGAIN—Well built 9-roomed House, suitable housekeeping rooms, 2 blocks from car line, alley, barn, workshop. Price $3,300; $700 cash; balance $25 every three months at 6 per cent. 466, Colonist. f26

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FOR SALE—Four beautiful building lots commanding a view of the city and straits. Price $2,200. Maysmith & Rogers, Mahon Buildings. f26

LIST your Farm Lands and Residences with us. We have the buyers. Maysmith & Rogers, Mahon Buildings. f26

FIVE ACRES on the Gorge—$1,400 per acre. Maysmith & Rogers, Mahon Buildings. f26

FOR SALE—Business property; easy terms; paying 25 per cent. on the investment. $3,000 swings it. Apply Box 443, Colonist. f25

BUILDERS, ATTENTION!—2 Lots on Bank Street, close to Oak Bay Avenue at $500 each; builders terms. Apply: Box 404, Colonist. f25

FOR SALE—Ten acres, good land, four and a half miles from town, all cleared, cultivated and fenced; small house, new, suitable for fruit and poultry. Cheap for immediate sale. Apply: Box 409, Colonist. f23

WATER FRONT for sale, Esquimalt division, near Lagoon; 5 acres with sea frontage, of good land, easily cleared; magnificent view. $330 acre. Easy terms. Evans, Oak Bay. f23

FOR SALE—Two four roomed Cottages on full sized lot, close to cars. Price $2,500; $600 cash; balance like rent. Box 382, Colonist. f22

ALBERNI—Best buy in all Alberni. 320 acres, Lots 146-144, adjoin, $55 acre (not lot). Above is a splendid well-known property (Saunders Estate) and most suitable for sub-division, nearest 1 mile from Alberni. Splendid soil, not heavily timbered, many alder bottoms. Would divide at $60 acre. Terms ¼-cash; balance 6, 12 and 18 months at 6 per cent. Exactly as advertised. Thomas Kitchen, Nanaimo, B.C. f21

FOR SALE—Brick Cottage and two houses, corner Hillside and Quadra, on two lots. Will sell separate at a bargain. Residence: 2660 Hillside and Quadra. f11

FOR SALE—Five acres cleared land, all fenced, near town, 5-roomed house, barn, stable, outbuildings, orchard, 750 five year old fruit trees, 1,500 small fruit trees, young horse, buggy, harness, household furniture. Complete for $5,500. Lee & Fraser, Trounce Ave., City. f8

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WANTED—A Hammerless Shot Gun. 131 Niagara Street. f26

WANTED—Good set of second-hand tandem harness at once. Communicate with J. T. Summerfield, Granville Mansions, Vancouver, B. C. f25

WANTED—To purchase, a Donkey engine, about 20 to 30 hp. Address J. J. Dougan, Cotton Drive, Grand View, 3rd Ave., Vancouver, B. C.

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WANTED—Modern house in city. Price not to exceed $3,500 cash. Principals only dealt with. Address 739 Colonist.

WANTED—To purchase, old mahogany furniture, clocks, grandfather clocks, coins, stamps, etc. A. A. Aaronson, 85 Johnson Street.

TO LET—FURNISHED ROOMS

TO LET—Furnished rooms for housekeeping, or single, 339 Kingston St. f27

FOR RENT—Furnished bedroom and kitchen for light housekeeping. 1198 Yates St. f27

FURNISHED ROOM for gentleman in nice home, close to town; no other roomers. Apply 480 Colonist office. f27

TO LET—Two furnished rooms, with or without board; use of piano and phone. 523 Vancouver Street. f26

TO LET—Furnished Rooms, 949 Fort Street. f23

TO LET—Large Front Bedroom and kitchen. Phone and bath. 1176 Yates St. No children. f21

TO RENT—Two Furnished Rooms; one suitable for two, the other suitable for one. 749 Fisguard Street. f21

TO LET—Furnished room suitable for two. Heated, modern new house. 321 Michigan. f14

TO RENT—One bedroom, with breakfast if preferred. 331 Chatherine St., opposite Park. Enquire between 10 a. m. and 1 p.m.

FURNISHED ROOMS—Elegantly furnished rooms, with or without board. All modern improvements, including electric light and telephone. Close to steamboat landing. Corner Birdcage Walk and Belleville Street. Mrs. Woodill (formerly Revere House.)

WANTED—TO RENT

WANTED—Three or four unfurnished housekeeping rooms; ground floor preferred, for married couple; no children. Address 2718 Rock Bay Ave. f23

ROOM WANTED by young married couple with one child, 3 years old; state terms. Box 444, Colonist. f25

POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.

WANTED—10 dozen Laying Hens. Apply: Strand Hotel, Johnson St. f25

FOR SALE—Excellent Driving Pony, 7 years old, perfectly sound; used to town traffic; 14.2 hands high; weight, 700 pounds. H. C. Connor, Hagan's P. O., South Saanich. f25

FOR SALE—Geese Eggs, from a large strain of geese; 25c each or $2.50 per dozen. Apply: Wm. Hodgson, Departure Bay, Nanaimo, B.C. f25

FOR SALE—Newly Calved Cow. J. W. Tolmie, P.O. Box 226. f20

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred fox terrier puppies, two months old. Apply A. B. Irving, 622 Cook street, or by telephone to No. 610 Between 8 and 9 o'clock j24

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160 Acres near Nanoose Bay, with coal rights. Coal has been found on the next section. $30 per acre.

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107 Acres fronting on Inlet, 40 acres cleared, cottage and barn worth $2500, young orchard. Splendid property for sub-division. Would make a fine site for school or country club. Only $22,000.

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OFFERS WANTED—for two lots, corner of Chanbers and Cedar Hill Roads, size 88 feet by 187. Can be had cheap.
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MR. H. E. HOWES, psychic medium and healer; can be consulted daily. Room 7, Vernon Building. f27

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN PROBATE.

In the matter of the Estate of George Anthony Walkem, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," that all persons having any claims or demands against the above named deceased who died on or about the 13th day of January, 1908, at the City of Victoria, B.C., are hereby required to send by registered post prepaid, or to deliver, to the undersigned solicitors herein for George Gillespie, executor under the last will of the said deceased, their names and address and full particulars in writing of their claims, and statements of their accounts and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them, duly verified by Statutory Declaration.

And Take Notice that after the 10th day of March, 1908, the said George Gillespie will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice, and that the said George Gillespie will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim he shall not then have received notice.

All persons indebted to the said estate are required to pay the amount of their indebtedness to the undersigned forthwith.

Dated at Victoria aforesaid this 3rd day of February, 1908.

MORESBY & O'REILLY,
Of Imperial Bank Chambers, corner of Government and Yates Streets, Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for the said Executor.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that we intend making application at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners, for a transfer from us to Elizabeth Dennison of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail in the premises known as the "St. Francis Hotel" at the corner of Yates Street and Oriental Alley, in the City of Victoria.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 14th day of February, 1908.

A. D. ROLPH,
GEO. W. WEEKS.

"LAND REGISTRY ACT"

In the matter of an application for a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to Part of Section 59, Spring Ridge, Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate of the Certificate of Title to the above land issued to James Baker on the 25th day of December, 1889, and numbered 9499a.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B.C., this 15th day of February, A. D., 1908.

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50 ACRES—Sooke District, just inside Sooke harbor.

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33,000 FEET 12-INCH,
18,000 FEET 8-INCH,
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as per specification, and to be delivered where required within the limits of the city of Victoria, on or before the first day of September, 1908.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

City Hall, Victoria, B. C., February 1, 1908. WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the Corporation of the City of Victoria.

Civic Notice

The Municipal Council of the corporation of the City of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to pave, by means of wooden blocks, treated with creosote and placed on a concrete foundation, the following streets, viz.:

Fort Street from Government Street to Wharf Street.

Langley Street from Bastion Street to Courtney Street.

Broad Street from Broughton Street to Fort Street.

Courtney Street from Wharf Street to Douglas Street.

Broughton Street from Wharf Street to Douglas Street;

And that the said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-Law, and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor, having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law, upon said work of local improvement, giving statement showing the amounts chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reports herein referred to are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas Street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C.
City Clerk's Office, February 19, 1908.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under and pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906, chapter 115, Clifton Scott Whiting will apply to the Governor-General-in-Council for approval of the plan and site for the erection of a wooden wharf in front of Lot 541 A, in the City of Victoria, B.C.

A plan of the said proposed wharf and a description by metes and bounds of the proposed site of the same, have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa, and duplicates thereof have been deposited in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds for the said City of Victoria, the same being the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid.

Victoria, B.C., the 8th day of February, 1908.

FELL & GREGORY,
Solicitors for Clifton Scott Whiting, Applicant.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the matter of the Estate of Gustav Schutz, alias Gus Peterson, deceased, intestate, and in the matter of the Official Administrators' Act.

Notice is hereby given that, under an order made by the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving, dated the 4th day of February, 1908, I, the undersigned, was appointed administrator of the estate of the above named deceased. All parties having claims against the said estate are required to send particulars of their claims to me, duly authenticated, on or before the 18th day of March, 1908, and all parties indebted to the said estate are required to pay such indebtedness to me forthwith.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 18th day of February, 1908.

R. G MONTEITH,
Acting Official Administrator.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the reserve over certain lands in South-East Kootenay, notice of which appeared in the British Columbia Gazette of the 14th August, 1890, and bore date of August 12th, 1890, is hereby cancelled. The above mentioned lands will be open for location under the land act on March 30, 1908. ROBT. A. RENWICK,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., December 16th, 1907. d27

Mainland News

WATCH AT BORDER FOR UNDESIRABLES

Dominion Government to Appoint Inspectors for Railway Points

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—The Dominion government has at last awakened to a realization of the lack of enforcement of the immigration laws along the international boundary line. As a result of the strong representations made to Ottawa, inspectors will shortly be stationed at various points between the coast and the eastern portion of British Columbia.

It is admitted that while the immigration act was strictly enforced at the front door in Victoria and Vancouver no precautions were adopted to carry out the regulations along hundreds of miles of the frontier. This neglect enabled all classes of aliens to indiscriminately enter Canada by the "back door," in strange contrast to the rigid system of inspection adopted by the United States government at all points between the Atlantic and Pacific where railways cross the border. Criminals, paupers and other undesirables are free to come to this country without danger of being held up by Canadian officers.

The new plan soon to be carried out by the interior department will provide for as strict an enforcement of the act at points on the frontier in the interior as at Vancouver or Victoria. It is also likely that a Canadian officer will be stationed at Seattle. In this manner undesirables who buy tickets for any place in Canada can be inspected and forbidden to cross the line before Canadian soil is reached.

The re-deportation of a gang of twenty-five Italian laborers now engaged in railway construction near Cloverdale will, it is stated, be ordered shortly by the Dominion government. These men reached here lately, and as they had violated the alien labor law by engaging themselves in the United States to work in Canada, they were shipped back to the American side. They, however, only proceeded as far as Bellingham and the following day took train and re-entered this country. If a Canadian immigration official had been stationed at Blaine the incident would not have occurred.

Granted Water Record

New Westminster, Feb. 26.—Water Commissioner C. C. Fisher, has granted a record for one hundred inches of water for power purposes to Messrs. Gilley Bros., from a small stream near Pitt lake. The water will be used at the firm's stone quarries on Pitt river.

Objectionable Enterprise

New Westminster, Feb. 26.—The fact that attempts are being made by Japanese and Chinese to establish a new restricted district in the city on Eleventh street between Royal avenue and Auckland street, has been brought to light and has caused considerable excitement among the citizens generally and among property owners in that vicinity in particular, and strong protests have been lodged with the board of police commissioners.

Thieves at Steveston

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—A gang of thieves has been operating in the vicinity of Steveston, and the police are working hard to run them to earth. Houses have been pillaged right and left, and the value of goods taken has often run high. One man has already been arrested, and will come up for hearing on Saturday. His name is Robert Renton, and he is alleged to have been passing under the alias of Benjamin Franklin. He is charged with burglary, and other arrests are to follow.

Royal City's Progress

New Westminster, Feb. 26.—The assessed value of property in New Westminster will be increased by half a million dollars, according to the estimate of the assessors now at work on the roll for 1908. This will be the greatest change that has taken place in the assessed value of property in this city for over fifteen years, and is an indication of the wonderful growth of the city during the past year. The values of property on Columbia street will be increased considerably, as well as a large number of tracts of city property which have been subdivided. It is excepted that the assessment roll will reach a total of four and a half million dollars.

Improvements at Hastings

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—The provincial government in response to the request of the Hastings Townsite Property Owners' Association will expend about $15,000 in road improvements in that townsite this year. The announcement was made at a meeting of the association in the city hall last night, Mr. Thomas Duke presided. He pointed out that the assessed value of the townsite is $1,500,000. Hon. F. Carter-Cotton, to whom the petition had been addressed, replied that the requests contained therein would be substantially complied with, although there might be some modifications necessary in order to fulfil the undertakings as to certain works it had already given.

STOWAWAY'S SUFFERINGS

Miserable Condition of Japanese Found in Freight Shed at Vancouver

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—A Japanese who had stowed away across the Pacific and arrived here a month ago was found this afternoon in the freight shed. He had been there a month, and was frightfully emaciated and practically insane. He had broken open two boxes of oranges and one of canned goods to sustain life.

GRANBY ACTIVITY

New Record Made in Treatment of Ore at Smelter—Plenty of Ore and Coke

Phoenix, Feb. 26.—Following the new high record for smelting by the Granby Consolidated, made on Wednesday of last week, when 3,450 tons were put through the eight-blast furnaces of the plant in one day, it is learned that the record made by the plant for the next day, Thursday, was but little less, running up to 3,350 tons—and then the plant ran out of ore and the furnaces were banked a couple of hours till two trains on the way arrived. This makes a total of 6,000 tons of Phoenix ore smelted in 48 hours, and is a record never before attained in the boundary or in British Columbia. In fact the ore ran so well that the daily order at the mines of 3,200 tons for the smelter when it is operating eight furnaces, has been increased to 3,400 tons, so that in future there shall be no shortage of ore supplies at the reduction works. There is no difficulty in getting out 5,000 tons of ore daily, if the order from the smelter calls for that much.

The smelter, while it treated but a little over 20,000 tons of ore for the seven days last week, will probably shatter all records this week, if things continue to run as smoothly as in the recent past.

Plenty of coke is now available and long trains of this commodity, as well as of ore, are constantly on the way to the Granby smelter, and every day about a carload of blister copper is dispatched over either of the railways to the refinery in New Jersey.

LARGE BUILDINGS

Vancouver Expects to See Several Fine Structures Completed This Season

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—The reports which come from many quarters indicate that in the near future plans for the building of large blocks during the present season will be announced which will place the local building conditions on as good a foundation as existed in the spring of last year.

Plans are now being prepared in Toronto for the magnificent six-story block which will be erected for the Canada Life Assurance company on the site now occupied by the old Leland hotel. The structure is being arranged along lines which will make the probable estimate of its cost $250,000. The lease on the present frame structure expires on April 1 and tenders are now being asked for its destruction, the site to be cleared by April 21.

In the west end, W. L. Tait has had such success in the operation of the Manhattan apartment house at Robson and Thurlow streets that he has decided to erect an addition to the block during the present season. He has just purchased 33 feet on Robson street, east of the present building, and is having plans prepared for a five-story addition on that frontage in every way conforming to the present structure on the corner. The cost of the work will be at least $25,000.

TAKEN FOR HOLD-UP

Vancouver Man's Suspicious Actions Get Him Into Serious Trouble

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—Charged with attempted robbery, John Watts is now in jail and will come up for trial tomorrow. The affair in which Watts figured occurred on Harris street East about 10 o'clock last night, and had much of the appearance of hold-up. The police stated today that there was no attempt whatever at robbery, and that the charge against Watts will be changed to that of carrying an offensive weapon in the form of a gun.

Watts' arrest was effected in plucky manner by J. Heatlie. In company with a young lady, Mr. Heatlie was walking along Harris street, in the vicinity of the 900 block. Watts was following them, and cursing and swearing, he being in a drunken state. Finally Watts stepped up to Heatlie and charged him with being with his wife, whereupon Neatlie struck him in the face. Enraged at this, Watts fumbled in his pockets, and Mr. Heatlie says that he saw the muzzle end of a revolver come out.

Heatlie struck his man again, and then Watts ran. Followed closely by Heatlie, he was finally caught and overpowered at the corner of Raymur and Powell streets. There was no gun to be found on Watts when he was arrested, nor has any been since found, though the police have searched for fear that he had thrown it away.

ROYAL TEMPLARS

Reports Read at Grand Council Meeting Show Order in Flourishing Condition

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—That the Royal Templars of Temperance in British Columbia are enjoying a good measure of prosperity found evidence in the annual reports presented to the Grand Council at its session here yesterday. There were representatives from every council throughout the province, and a good attendance of grand officers. The sessions opened at 10 o'clock.

The grand secretary's report was an interesting document. It showed that the finances were in a healthy state, that the membership had increased and that the sick and funeral benefit fund had been administered most satisfactorily and had held its own despite the fact that the amount of illness had been unusually large. This report, as well as the report of the grand councillor, urged more aggressive work along the lines of temperance reform.

Routine work occupied the time of the afternoon session, and the evening was taken up at the silver medal elocution contest at Mount Pleasant church, under the auspices of the Vancouver council. The convention wound up today, and tonight the delegates will be the guests of the local council.

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Stillingia Root	4 Grs.	Flavoring: Oil Sassafras, Oil Wintergreen	
Burdock Root	3 Grs.		

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SOLEMN STILLNESS IN STOCK MARKET

Brokers Discuss Conditions Instead of Doing Business

New York, Feb. 26.—The stagnant condition into which the stock market fell today leaves it a sterile field from which to draw any lesson bearing on general affairs, except as inferences may be deduced negatively. The initiative has died out. No one shows willingness to express faith in future events through commitments in the market. Irresolution and apprehension are implied by this abstention.

The scant attendance at the stock exchange gave its time to the discussion of the grounds for this attitude. The contents of the report of President Truesdale today to the stockholders of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western gave direction to this discussion. Mr. Truesdale's gloomy picture of the outlook for railroads on account of the political prominence of the wage reduction question did not fail to impress the financial element. The impression was sensibly modified, however, by the extraordinary financial showing which accompanied the text of the report and the liberal sum added out of the company's earnings for the year to an already plethoric surplus.

Professional room traders themselves gave up in disgust their efforts to scalp a small fraction of profit out of the sluggish price movement. Stress was laid also upon the departure for Europe during the day of J. Pierpont Morgan for his annual spring tour, as an indication that no important developments in the financial world were in expectation. The meeting and adjournment of the Erie directors without taking action on the dividends on the two preferred classes of stock was not a surprise, in view of the heavy declines in earnings of the company, the preliminary step taken in the declaration of the last dividends in scrip and the failure of authorization of that action up to this time by the New York public service commission. The Erie stocks hardened slightly after the non-action of the directors became known.

The sluggish movement of prices showed the same tendency as for several days, to retrace its early course during the latter portion of the day.

Bonds were heavy; total values, par value, $1,812,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

By F. W. Stevenson.

New York, Feb. 26, 1908.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	49¼	49⅝	48⅞	49½
Am. Car Fdy.	26¼	26¼	26	26⅛
Am. Cot. Oil	25¼	25⅞	25¼	25¼
Am. Loco.	..	..	..	32
Am. Smelters	58½	59½	58¾	58⅞
do pfd	89¼	89¼	89¼	89¼
Anaconda	32	32	31⅞	32
Atchison	67¾	68	67½	67⅞
do pfd	..	..	..	83
B. and O.	78	78½	78	78½
do pfd	..	..	..	82
B. R. T.	39⅞	40¼	39⅜	39¾
C. P. R.	143	143	143	143
Cent. Leather	..	..	..	16½
C. F. and I.	16¼	16¼	16⅛	16¼
C. and O.	..	..	..	26¾
C. and G. W.	3½	3½	3½	3½
C. M. and S. P.	108	108¾	107¾	108⅝
C. T. and T.	..	..	..	2
do pfd	..	..	..	10
D. and R. G.	16	16⅛	16	16
do pfd	..	..	..	43
Erie	12½	13	12½	12⅞
Gt. Nor. pfd	118	118¼	118	118¼
Int. Paper	..	..	..	9¼
L. and N.	89¾	90	89¾	90
M. S. P., S. S. M.	93¼	93¼	93	93
do pfd	..	..	..	128
Mo. Pac.	30⅝	30¾	29¾	30¼
Met. St. Ry.	..	..	..	15
N. Y. Cent.	94⅞	95	94	94⅛
N. P.	120¾	121	120¾	120¾
N. and W.	..	..	..	60
do pfd	..	..	..	78
N. Y. O. and W.	..	..	..	30
Penna.	112	112¾	111½	112¼
People's Gas	..	..	..	85
Pr. Steel Car	..	..	..	19½
Reading	95⅛	95½	94¼	95¼
Rock Island	10⅞	11⅜	10⅞	11⅜
do pfd	..	..	..	22
S. P.	68	68¼	67¾	68⅛
do pfd	108¼	108¼	108	108
S. R.	..	..	..	9⅞
do pfd	..	..	..	30
U. P. ex-div 2½	115¾	114⅜	113¼	113⅞
do pfd	..	..	..	80
U. S. Steel	28	28½	27⅞	28⅜
do pfd	91¼	91¾	91	91¾
Wabash	8	8	8	8
do pfd	..	..	..	15
West. Union	..	..	..	45

Sales to 2 p. m., 183,700 shares.
Money on call 1¾ @2 per cent.

CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE.

By F. W. Stevenson.

Chicago, Feb. 26, 1908.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
May	96	96⅞	95⅜	95⅝
July	90⅜	90⅞	90⅛	90¼
Corn No. 2—				
May	60⅞	61½	60¾	61
July	58⅞	59⅜	58⅛	59
Oats No. 2—				
May	50¾	51¾	50½	51¼
July	43	43⅛	42⅞	43
Pork—				
May	11.50	11.52	11.40	11.40
July	11.92	11.92	11.77	11.77
Liverpool Wheat—				
May	7s.			7s. 7⅜d.

ON VAGRANCY CHARGE

Two Doubtful Characters Given Six Months—Suspected of Safe-Cracking

Vancouver, Feb. 26.—Convicted as vagrants, William McKenzie and W. Montgomery, alias Fred Worthington, suspected of being safe-crackers, were sent to jail today for six months, with hard labor.

The police have been working hard to secure evidence against the men in connection with the blowing up of the safe at P. Burns' store, corner Seventh avenue and Granville street, but they were unable to get the facts directly bearing on the crime.

Montgomery told the court that his real name was Worthington, and that his home was in Portland. The police have advices from the Portland police that Worthington has a penitentiary record. "He is one of the worst characters that ever came into Vancouver," declared Detective Jackson in the witness box at police court. "As to McKenzie, all I have to say is that he was a pal of John King, alias Clark, now serving life term in Walla Walla."

French Ambassador to Russia

Paris, Feb. 26.—Admiral Touchard has been officially appointed French ambassador to Russia, in succession to M. Bompard, retired. M. Bompard has been made a grand officer in the Legion of Honor in recognition of his services in Russia.

Prices of Metals.

New York, Feb. 26.—Pig iron, quiet. Copper, dull. Lead, dull. Tin, easy; straits 28.62 1-2 to 28.70. Spelter, dull.

Erie Directors.

New York, Feb. 26.—The directors of the Erie Railroad company met in this city today. At the conclusion of the meeting it was announced that no action was taken on the dividends.

MONTREAL STOCKS.

By Waghorn, Gwynn & Co., 519 Granville street, Vancouver:

	Sellers.	Buyers.
Dominion	162½	162
Molsons	148	...
Merchants	..	157
Twin City	80¼	80
Mont. Heat and Power	86½	86
Ogilvies	...	115
Mont. Street Railway	180	177
Toronto Street Railway	100	...
Dom. Iron and Coal, com.	15½	15⅛
Nova Scotia Steel, com.	58⅛	58
Can. Pac. Ry., Montreal	143½	142
Can. Pac. Ry., London	146⅞	...

VANCOUVER STOCK EXCHANGE.

Temporary Trading Stock.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alberta Coal and Coke Co.	30	35
B. C. Copper Co.	4.25	5.00
Burton Saw Works	105	110
Canadian Con. S. and R.	60.00	75.00
Caribou Camp McKinney.	2½	4
Dominion Copper Co.	2.00	2.50
Granby	75.00	94.00
Int. Coal and Coke Co.	79	85
Imperial Trust Co.	100	105
Portland Canal	14	...
Rambler Cariboo	25	29
Sullivan	3¼	4½
Western Oil Co.	...	1.25

Coeur D'Alene Stocks.

	Bid.	Asked.
Alameda	3	4
Charles Dickens	11	13
Gertie	4	5
Humming Bird	5	7
Idora	4	5
Missoula Copper	6	8
Nabob	3½	5
O. K. Con.	1	2
Oom Paul	6½	7½
Rex	17	23
Snow Storm	1.50	1.60
Stewart	88	1.10
Tamarac and Chesapeake.	80	1.10
Wonder	1¼	2

Sales—Burton Saw ex-div. to 1st March, 1908.

THE LOCAL MARKETS

Retail Prices

Flour.	
Royal Household, a bag	$2.00
Lake of the Woods, a bag	$2.00
Royal Standard	$2.00
Purity	$2.00
Wild Rose, per bag	$1.75
Calgary, a bag	$2.00
Hungarian, per bbl	$7.75
Snowflake, a bag	$1.70
Snowflake, per bbl.	$6.80
Moffet's Best, per sack	$2.00
Moffet's Best, per bbl.	$7.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	$1.70
Three Star, per sack	$2.00
Foodstuffs.	
Bran, per ton	$30.00
Shorts, per ton	$32.00
Feed wheat, per ton	$40.00
Oats, per ton	$37.00
Barley, per ton	$34.00
Hay, Fraser River, per ton	$23.00
Feed Cornmeal, per ton	$38.00
Chop Feed, best, per ton	$30.00
Whole Corn, best, per ton	$36.00
Middlings, per ton	$34.00
Cracked Corn, per ton	$38.00
Vegetables.	
Celery, two heads	25
Lettuce, hot house, per head	05
Garlic, per lb.	10
Onions, local, per lb.	6
Potatoes, local, per sack	$1.50
Sweet Potatoes, new, 4 lbs.	25
Cauliflower, each	15 to 25
Cabbage, local, per lb.	5
Red Cabbage, per lb.	5
Rhubard, hot house, per lb.	15
Dairy Produce.	
Eggs—	
Fresh Island, per dozen	40
Cooking, per dozen	30
Cheese—	
Canadian, per lb.	15
Neufchatel, each	5
Cream, local, each	10
Butter—	
Manitoba, per lb.	35
Best dairy, per pound	45
Victoria Creamery, per lb.	45
Cowichan Creamery, per lb.	45
Delta Creamery, per lb.	50
Butter, cooking, per lb.	30
Fruit.	
Grape Fruit, per dozen	1.00
Oranges, per dozen	25 to 50
Lemons, per dozen	30
Figs, cooking, per lb.	8 to 10
Apples, local, per box	2.00 to 2.25
Malago Grapes, per lb.	30
Bananas, per dozen	35
Figs, table, per lb.	75
Raisins, Valencia, per lb.	15
Raisins, table, per lb.	25 to 60
Grapes, Con., per basket	1.00
Pineapples, each	50 to 60
Pears, per box	1.25 to 1.50
Cranberries, per lb.	20
Nuts.	
Walnuts, per lb.	30
Brazils, per lb.	30
Almonds, Jordon, per lb.	75
Almonds, California, per lb.	30
Cocoanuts, each	15
Pecans, per lb.	30
Chestnuts, per lb.	30
Fish.	
Cod, salted, per lb.	10 to 13
Halibut, fresh, per lb.	8 to 10
Halibut, smoked, per lb.	15
Cod, fresh, per lb.	6 to 8
Flounders, fresh, per lb.	6 to 8
Salmon, fresh, white, per lb.	8
Salmon, fresh, red, per lb.	10 to 12
Salmon, smoked, per lb.	20
Oysters, Olympia, per pint	40 to 50
Oysters, Toke Point, doz.	40 to 50
Shrimps, per lb.	25 to 30
Smelts, per lb.	5 to 10
Herring, kippered, per lb.	12½
Finnan Haddie, per lb.	12½
Meat and Poultry.	
Beef, per lb.	8 to 18
Lamb, per lb.	15 to 25
Mutton, per lb.	12½ to 20
Lamb, per quarter, fore	1.00 to 1.50
Lamb, per quarter, hind	1.75 to 2.00
Veal, dressed, per lb.	12½ to 18
Geese, dressed, per lb.	18 to 20
Ducks, dressed, per lb.	20 to 25
Chickens, per lb.	20 to 25
Chickens, per lb., live weight	12½ to 15
Chickens, broilers, per lb.	25
Guinea Fowls, each	1.00
Pigeons, dressed, per pair	50
Rabbits, dressed, each	50 to 65
Hare, dressed, each	75
Hams, per lb.	18 to 20
Bacon, per lb.	25 to 30
Pork, dressed, per lb.	15 to 18

President Duke Examined

New York, Feb. 26.—Commissioner Shields and the attorneys in the case of the government against the America Tobacco Company today went to the home of Jas. Duke, the president of the company, who is ill in bed, and took his record on certain matters which he has not been examined at previous hearings.

Three Burned to Death

Brainard, Minn., Feb. 26.—Dispatches to the Minneapolis and International railroad offices bring news that three persons, a servant girl, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. M. Owens and a brother of Mrs. Owens perished last night in a fire in a store building at Briers, a town near here. Mr. and Mrs. Owens were badly burned.

In one day fines to the amount of over $100 were imposed on twenty-one motorists at Kingston for exceeding the speed limit on the main Portsmouth road.

MACEDONIA LOOKS LIKE DANGER POINT

The British Ministers Refer in Somewhat Gloomy Terms to Situation

London, Feb. 26.—The Macedonian difficulty was raised in both houses of parliament last night. Sir Edward Grey, secretary of foreign affairs, made a statement in the House of Commons on this subject, and Lord Fitzmaurice, under-secretary for foreign affairs, did likewise in the House of Lords, the gist of both statements being that because of the Ports's obduracy matters had reached a critical pass; that the government deprecated any isolated action, but was doing its utmost to preserve the concert of the powers and press on Turkey an acceptance of the reforms.

Sir Edward Grey said that in discussing the Macedonian question, the government was not far from the Turkish question, which more than once had led to an European war. They were rapidly nearing a point, he said, where the concert of powers must either justify or stultify itself, and if the concert disappeared, it was impossible to foretell what misunderstanding might arise. If Macedonia continued to be neglected, he added, a note of warning, it must sooner or later provoke a catastrophe.

Sir Edward suggested that "if a Turkish governor were appointed for a term of years, and he was a man whose capacity and character were recognized and accepted by the powers, the whole question might be solved."

Lord Fitzmaurice, who promised that the government shortly would make suggestions that it considered necessary to meet the existing situation, said that he regretted he had no cheerful news to impart for the present. A very critical stage has been reached, he said, in both the local affairs of Macedonia and in the diplomatic entente known as the concert of Europe.

The attitude of Turkey gave cause for great anxiety, and the foreign office felt it necessary to ask themselves whether the time has not arrived to appoint a Christian governor in Macedonia. With regard to the Austrian project of the construction of a branch line through Turkish territory to connect Vienna with Salonika, he said that the treaty of Berlin gave Austria the right to occupy and build such a road, and it therefore was an exaggeration to say that the concert of Europe has been permanently broken because Austria wished to take advantage of her rights. In conclusion, he added that the one bright spot in the situation was that the powers displayed less readiness than formerly to minimize the dangers of the Macedonian question.

Kingston Conservatives.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 26.—At the Conservative convention held tonight, W. F. Nickle, barrister, was given the nomination by a majority of 21 over James H. Metcalfe.

TRAIN WRECKER FOUND

Missouri Wood Chopper Confesses That He Tried to Derail Fast Express

Sedalia, Mo., Feb. 26.—G. W. Cox, a wood chopper, whose home is at Franklin Junction, Mo., confessed to Missouri Pacific railway officials here this afternoon that he removed the rail from the track on the top of Otterville hill, 15 miles east of here, on Friday night last, that resulted in the derailing of a freight train from St. Louis. Cox said he had intended to wreck and rob the fast Missouri Pacific Kansas City-St. Louis passenger train No. 4, which was due at Otterville a few minutes after the freight was wrecked.

Cox was taken to the scene of the wreck, and after close questioning confessed. He said he committed the deed alone, and had no accomplices.

Cox is 23 years of age, and has a wife and child.

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$1,000 Reward

THE GOVERNMENT of the PROVINCE of BRITISH COLUMBIA hereby offers a reward of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the two men who, on the 25th day of February, 1908, at the Gorge Hotel, near the City of Victoria, B. C., armed with revolvers, entered and, while committing a robbery in the said Hotel, shot and wounded one Richard Dancey.

DESCRIPTION.

No. 1—Man about 5 feet 11 inches in height, slim build, dressed in dark-colored clothing; wore dark cap.

No. 2—Man about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches in height; slim build; dressed in dark-colored clothing; wore dark cap. Both men were armed with dark-colored revolvers and wore long white cotton masks.

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS reward will be given for informaion leading to the arrest and conviction of either one of the said men.

By order, F. S. HUSSEY,
Superintendent of Provincial Police.
Victoria, B. C., 26th February, 1908.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the firm of Morris & Lee, carrying on business as commission, fruit and produce merchants at number 531 Yates street, in the city of Victoria, British Columbia, was dissolved on the 18th day of February, 1908. All debts due to the said firm are payable to the undersigned, John W. Morris, at number 531 Yates street, Victoria, B. C., and the said John W. Morris will pay all debts due by the said firm.

Dated the 26th day of February, A. D. 1908. J. W. MORRIS.

NOTICE

At the next sitting of the Licensing Board for the City of Victoria, I intend applying for a transfer of the Liquor License held by me upon the premises known as No. 1111 Broad Street, in the City of Victoria, to A. R. McDonald.

ANNA BURNS.
Executrix of the Estate of L. G. Burns.
ANNA BURNS.

Dated this Seventh (7) day of February, 1908.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer to Joseph Lucas of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail upon the premises situate on the corner of Douglas and Cormorant Streets, in the City of Victoria, B.C., and known as the Commercial Hotel.

Dated this 25th day of February, 1908
(Signed) SAMUEL SHORE.

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LAND REGISTRY ACT.

In the Matter of an Application for a Duplicate Certificate of Title to the Easterly Half of Lot 636, Victoria City.

Notice is hereby given that it is my intention at the expiration of one month from the first publication hereof to issue a duplicate certificate of title to above land issued to Peter Leveile on the 6th day of February, 1905, and numbered 10822C.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., the 19th day of February, 1908.

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Applications for the position of Engineer to the above Municipality to act under the Provincial Ditches and Watercourses Act, 1907, will be received on or before the 5th March next.

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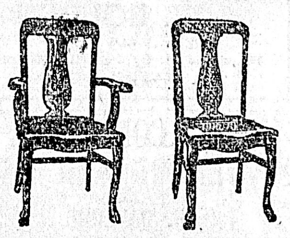
The Two Remaining Days of Our February Furniture Sale Should Prove Interesting

Time is flying quickly—The 1st of March will be here in another three days which terminates one of the most important sales of the year, and if you have not bought yet you should not delay another hour. Selection is quite an easy matter yet, values are just as good as at first, with the exception that we may be sold out of a few lines—but good bargains still remain. For Friday we have selected three specially interesting items from this department, which should make that day a busy one, and it will pay you to take advantage of the many savings before the month slips by.

Dining Room Suites of Chairs Marked Low



Tomorrow we are placing on sale a specially fine line of Dining Room Chairs. These are in suites consisting of six side chairs and one arm, are made of solid quarter-cut oak, splendidly polished, and have morticed framed seats and are covered in genuine horse-hair leather. The regular value of these suites were $30. Extra special Friday.. **$18.50**

Friday's Bargains in Hall Racks

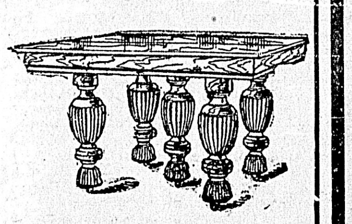
Tomorrow will be a busy day in the Furniture Department, as we are placing on sale some very attractive Hall Racks at remarkable underpricings. Note the prices below:—

HALL RACKS, made of solid golden oak, highly finished, has bevel plate mirror at back.: Regular value was $15.00. Extra special for Friday.......... **$10.75**

HALL RACK, made of golden elm, well finished, is a very attractive piece of furniture. Regular value was $13.00. Friday.......... **$8.75**

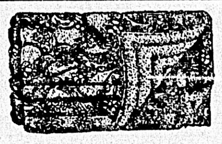
HALL RACK, made of golden elm, very attractive design, splendidly finished. Regular value was $9.50. Extra special for Friday.......... **$6.75**

Special Inducements on Dining Tables



Any person wishing to make a substantial saving on Dining Room Tables should attend this sale tomorrow. Never before have we offered such a splendid piece of furniture at such a reduction. These are made of golden oak, beautifully finished, solid quarter-cut throughout, size of top is 10 feet long by 4 feet wide. Regular value was $27.50. Extra special tomorrow **$16.75**

Friday Bargains in Bed Furnishings



Tomorrow we are offering some exceptionally good bargains in Bed Furnishings. Articles like these are always needed; you can never have too many, and at prices like these which they are marked at for Friday it would be fallacy to let go by without purchasing.

COMFORTERS, fancy covered, in cambric and fancy printed designs, reversible, filled with pure white cotton. Regular value $1.75 and $2.25. Tomorrow.......... **$1.50**

SHEETS, full size, ready for use, extra good quality. Special Friday, per pair, $2.50, $2.25 and.......... **$2.00**

PILLOW SLIPS, ready for use, very fine quality. Special Friday, per dozen, $4.20, $3.00 and.......... **$2.40**

WHITE HONEY-COMB QUILTS, single bed size. Special tomorrow.......... **85c**

WHITE HONEY-COMB QUILTS, full bed size. Special tomorrow $1.65 and.......... **$1.35**

Friday Bargains in Towels

HUCKABACK BEDROOM TOWELS, hemstitched, extra good quality. Special tomorrow per dozen.......... **$2.40**

TURKISH TOWELS, in white, large size. Special tomorrow, per dozen.......... **$4.50**

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which will be found a most interesting book, aside from the fact of it showing the season's latest tendencies in the fashion world. It also contains many valuable hints, and has a splendid list of Staple articles, furniture, housefurnishings and every day kitchen needs. By looking through this you will be surprised at the money you can save, while the service is for you.

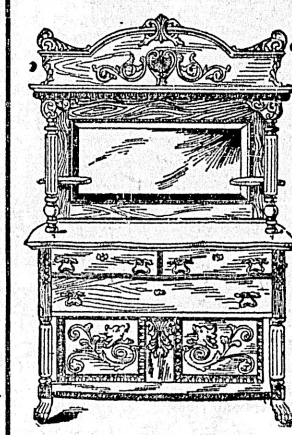
When Purchasing a Range Get The Best!

The "Nugget" Steel Range Answers All Requirements

You cannot, while purchasing a Steel Range, get a better one than the Nugget. It is made of the very best materials which can be procured, while the workmanship is unexcelled. Aside from the fact of being an all round good range, you will find it a very attractive looking one, and is a handsome addition to any kitchen. A good range is the one thing in the house that must meet all requirements meted out for it to do, and when we say that the Nugget is this class of Range, we stand back of our statement in every respect. If you care to keep the mistress of the house in good temper, if you wish well cooked, nourishing food, then we cannot recommend a better range than the Nuggett. Prices on application. See showing in the Annex.

Other Splendid Furniture Bargains

Sideboards at Reduced Prices



$40 Sideboard for $32

SIDEBOARDS, Quartered Oak, 52 inches long, with shaped drawer fronts, shaped pillars to back, British beveled mirror in back 36 in. x 20 in. Regular value $40, for.. **$32.00**

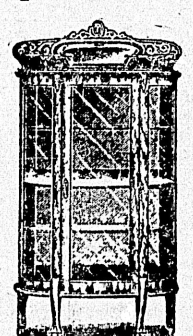
$20 Sideboard for $16

SIDEBOARDS, Ash, 48 inches long, shaped top, British beveled plate in back 26 in. x 16 in. Regular value $20, for.. **$16.00**

$18 Sideboard for $14.25

SIDEBOARDS, Elm, 4 feet long, with British beveled mirror in back 24 in. x 14 in. Regular value $18, for.......... **$14.25**

China Cabinets Underpriced



$18.50 China Cabinet for $14.75

CHINA CABINET, golden oak, with squares glazed ends and panelled back. Small beveled plate mirror at top. Size of cabinet 5 feet 6 in. high by 2 feet 2 in. wide. Regular value $18.50, for **$14.75**

$28 China Cabinet for $22

CHINA CABINET, in solid golden oak, with rounded glass ends, mirror back and swell beveled mirror at top. Size of cabinet 6 ft. high by 3 ft. 6 in. wide. Regular value $28.00, for.......... **$22.00**

$35 China Cabinet for $28

CHINA CABINETS, Quartered Oak, containing mirror plate back and 4 grooved shelves. Rounded glass ends and beveled mirror at top. Size of cabinet 6 ft. high by 3 ft. wide. Regular value $35.00, for.......... **$28.00**

Special Offerings in Drawing Room Suites

$55 Drawing Room Suite for $44

THREE-PIECE DRAWING ROOM SUITES, Birch-Mahogany frames, upholstered in silk-faced French tapestry. Suite comprises 1 Settee, 1 Arm Chair and 1 Reception Chair. Regular value $55.00, for.......... **$44.00**

$150 Drawing Room Suite for $120

THREE-PIECE DRAWING ROOM SUITES, in the "ROCOCO" and "Louis XV." designs. Finest workmanship throughout. Solid mahogany frames, upholstered in brocade of the period. Reg. value $150.00, for.... **$120.00**

$135 Drawing Room Suite $108

THREE-PIECE DRAWING ROOM SUITE, in a fine design after style of "Heppelwhite," comprising 1 Settee, 1 Arm Chair and 1 Reception Chair, upholstered in a floral silk brocade, solid mahogany frames. Reg. value $135.00, for.......... **$108.00**

Tables For Drawing Room, Bedroom and Library at Extra Special Prices

$32 Drawing Room Table $25.75

HANDSOME DRAWING-ROOM TABLE of Colonial design, 30 inch circular top, on shaped and moulded centre pillar. Made of solid quarter-cut golden oak throughout. Regular value $32.00, for.......... **$25.75**

$28 Mahogany Table $22.75

MAHOGANY TABLE, of 18th century design, 36-inch round top, supported by heavy turned pillar and four scroll feet. Reg. value $28.00, for **$22.75**

$28 Circular Table $22.25

LARGE CIRCULAR TOP TABLE of old colony type, with heavy centre pillar and four shaped feet. Made in solid quarter cut oak. Reg. value $28.00, for... **$22.25**

$25 Library Table $20

LIBRARY TABLE, of modern design, with 32 inch round top, supported by 4 heavy circular pillars and base board. Regular value $25.00, for.......... **$20.00**

$22.50 Drawing Room Table $18

DRAWING-ROOM TABLE, in mahogany, with 23 inch shaped top, carved legs and frame, and shaped under shelf. Regular value $22.50, for **$18.00**

$18 Centre Table $14.25

LIBRARY CENTRE TABLE, of modern design, with 28 inch round top supported on four carved and shaped legs with base board, made of solid quartered cut oak. Regular value $18, for.. **$14.25**

Beautiful Silk Waists on Sale Tomorrow Regular $5.00 to $7.50 for . . $3.75

A most charming assortment of lovely Silk Waists go on sale tomorrow at great reductions; in many instances prices are cut in half. These are made of fine quality Taffeta, Japanese Silk and Silk Mull, in the new jumper and yoke style, trimmed with tucks and fine lace. Bargains like this is of very rare occurrence, which makes it imperative that you should purchase here tomorrow. Values from $5.00 up to $7.50 for.......... **$3.75**

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Ladies' Fine Walking Skirts Special Prices Friday

Tomorrow we are placing on sale a specially fine assortment of Ladies' Walking Skirts. These are made of the very best materials, and are guaranteed, thoroughly shrunk, sponged and stitched with silk. They are eight-gored, with inturned pleat at each seam, also made with double-box pleat down front and back, and are exceptionally well finished. They come in colors of black, navy, green, brown and light tweed, and are marked specially for Friday at.......... **$3.75**

Spring News of the Men's Clothing Department

Our Men's Clothing Department offers some specially good values in Men's Ready-to-wear Apparel, and specially interesting is our showing of Blue and Black Worsted and Serge Suits. When a man buys garments at this store, he is buying clothes that cannot be surpassed for style, fit and wearing qualities by the best made-to-measure garments by the tailor, and saves probably a third of what he spends to have his clothes made to measure, thus he pays a very high compliment to his wisdom in buying so as to save as much money as possible without sacrificing any of the essentials which go to make a thoroughly well dressed man. The fabrics for Spring are particularly attractive. The many nifty effects and new shades which are to be had here have thus far met with the approval of all fashionable dressers, and our stock consists of a complete line of the finest blacks and blues, worsted or serge suits, plain English Cheviot and plain twill worsteds, at prices ranging from $25.00 to.......... **$12.50**

A Raincoat a Quick Necessity

A Raincoat is one of the necessary and most urgent articles in a man's wardrobe these days. No doubt the fine weather that we have been having has caused many men to neglect purchasing. We therefore wish to emphasize the fact that our showing of Men's Raincoats is complete in every detail; then, too, they are of materials of such weight that they would do for a light overcoat. Nothing within the limits of good taste is omitted in the make-up of these splendid garments. Styles are strictly up to the minute in every way, while the fabrics are of the best procurable, and you will do well to come in and look over the vast assortment which we have in stock, made up in Priestly cravennettes, ranging in price from $25.00 to.......... **$18.00**

Special Showing of Boys' Norfolk Suits

Our showing of Boys' Norfolk Suits in the Men's Department is a very comprehensive one. Made up of the best quality tweeds in the most distinctive styles, and would make any little fellow feel proud when wearing one of these nice suits. Prices range from.......... **$3.50**

Boys' Knee Pants Specially Priced

A splendid assortment of Boys' Knee Pants are to be had here at a very enticing price. They are made of good quality tweeds and serges, while the workmanship of them is perfect in every way, and are specially priced for Friday's selling at 75c and.......... **50c**